THE WEATHER.

Local rains today, somewhat colder; Wednesday fair, colder in east portion; moderate winds.

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PATHETIC SCENES HOOD BRICEVILLE

There is No Hope of Life Entertained for the Entombed Miners.

WILL BE MANY GLOOMY DAYS

Of the Scores of Miners Enclosed in the Mine Only Twenty-two Bodies Have Been As Yet Recovered

Briceville, Tenn., Dec. 11.—Families of the one hundred or more miners entombed in Cross Mountain mine today began to realize that there was no chance of their ever seeing their loved ones again alive. At nightfall 22 bodies had been recovered and more than 20 cross entries to the mine are made to be explored. It will be days before all of the entries are penetrated.

A day more gloomy or more in keeping with the feelings of the surviving inhabitants of this stricken village would be difficult to imagine. A cold rain began falling before day-break and continued until late in the afternoon converting the roads, which comprise the streets of Briceville, into mud puddles.

From the little shacks in which the miners live came wailing sounds from women and children, thereby adding to the general gloom. For the most part the women remained in their homes, but a few of them stood in the rain outside the mine entrance waiting for their dead to be brought forth.

The rescue work has gone relentlessly on since the explosion occurred early Saturday morning. Dr. J. A. Holmes, head of the United States Bureau of Mines, took personal charge of the government rescuers today and directed his men into the unexplored recesses.

Wearing oxygen helmets they were able to penetrate to corners in which the miners themselves dared not venture for fear of the dread after-damp. Not the slightest sign of life had been detected when the government rescuers came out of the mine tonight for the first time since they entered at 11 o'clock this morning. Practically all of the men who are believed to have perished are Americans, born and raised in this village. Many women have been deprived not only of their husbands but also of brothers and some of sons. The stricken ones seem to have cried themselves out and apparently are in a sort of daze, unable fully to realize the extent of their losses.

A new grave yard was established today at Laurel Branch, near here, to take care of the Cross Mountain dead. The graves are being dug in a circle, the plan being to eventuany erect a monument in the center in memory of the explosion victims. Volunteers were called for today to perform the sexton's task, and twelve responded. All afternoon they could be seen plying pick and shovel on the mountain side under an improvised snelter to protect them from the rain.

There was not enough work for the undertakers' corps to do and, clad in oil cloth aprons, they presented a gruesome sight as they stood about the mine waiting for bodies to be brought forth.

Many are the theories advanced as to the cause of the accident. President Stephenson, of the Knoxville Coal Company, which owns the mine, said today it probably had been caused by a "windy shot," which is a sort of "flare back" on powder inserted in a hole bored in the coal to be dislodged. This powder might have ignited gases accummulated in one of the many "rooms" in the mine or might have set off the coal dust on the floor of the room.

Cross Mountain mine is more than 20 years old and contains some of the richest coal deposits in this region. It has an average output of 600 tons a day. Never before in its history has it had a serious accident.

The coal company is supplying the immediate needs of the stricken families, but later there will be need of funds to care for the widows and orphans. Indications are that there will be more than fifty of the former and about 160 of the latter. A Knoxville baker distributed 600 loaves of bread among the families today and there was no shortage of food.

Three Later Reported Alive

Briceville, Tenn., Dec. 11.—Three men were brought out of the Cross Mountain mine alive at 8 o'clock tonight. They were William Henderson, aged 55; Milton Henderson, aged 22, his son; Irwin Smith, aged 35.

All of the men are married. They were found in left cross entry No. 19 and had escaped death in the explosion of Saturday morning by erecting a brattice cutting off the deadly afterdamp. All were in good condition and will live. In fact, the elder Henderson was so strong that he wanted to walk to his home.

The finding of these men alive has created new hope in the breasts of the rescuers.

Breeden, W. Va., Dec. 11.—John Van Hoose, a detective, and Gideon marcum were shot to death in a duel here yesterday. Van Hoose was shot by Marcum when the former tried to arrest him for burglary, and as Marcum ran he was shot down by Deputy Sheriff Crumm, of Wayne county, who had accompanied the detective.

"POISONED PEN" CASE ENDS

Enforced Federal Rule Practiced in Courts for More Than Hundred Years—Accused Writer Obscene Letters

Library of Congress

Philadelphia, Dec. 11.—A technicality based on a Federal rule of practice in force for more than one hundred years brought to an abrupt end in the United States Court here today the "poisoned pen" case, in which Miss Harriet DeWitt, of Easton, Pa., was accused of writing anonymous obscene letters to an Easton clergyman, his wife and some of the neighbors.

The case was called before Judge McPherson, and when the government attempted to have admitted in evidence a sample of Miss DeWitt's handwriting the court ruled it out on the ground that under the Federal rule of practice a test paper cannot be admitted as evidence unless it has some other bearing on the case other than a mere test to show comparison of handwriting.

Judge McPherson therefore directed the jury to return a verdict of not guilty.

The "poisoned pen" case has attracted considerable attention. The letters were evidently the work of a jealous woman, according to the lawyers in the case and most of them were aimed at the Rev. Elmer E. Snyder, of Christ Evangelical Lutheran church of Easton. He had received between 200 and 300 of penprinted anonymous letters, members of his congregation had received them, and his wife and some of the neighbors were also the targets of the letter-writer.

The letters had been coming to these people for more than nine years and various persons in the church and in the community had been falsely accused of writing them and much ill feeling had been stirred up. Last Summer the postal inspectors, who had been working on the case for several years arrested Miss DeWitt.

Rev. Mr. Snyder, his wife and several other women drawn into the case through receiving anonymous letters, testified today to having received the defamatory communications.

The government then called Valentine Schoenberger, a postal inspector who investigated the case. He told of suspicion pointing to Miss DeWitt. He sit for her and after getting her to pen print four lines with his dictation in the presence of her attorney, he said he accused her of writing the letters. She denied it, he said, and she told him she also had received some of the letters. With this testimony the government offered the sample writing in evidence and the court threw it out.

Miss DeWitt smilingly accepted the congratulations of her friends who crowded about her when the jury rendered its verdict in accordance with the court's directions.

NOT AN EARLY END

Lorimer Bribe Case Will Extend Longer Than First of Year

Washington, Dec. 11.—Whether the Senator Lorimer Investigating Commission will go into the alleged reasons why the International Harvester Company and the McCormick family were opposed to him, may not be decided for several days. Chairman Dillingham said today that an examnation of the record was necessary to decide the point.

Judge Hansey, counsel for Mr. Lorimer, has indicated that he will fight hard to show what he claims is the inspiration of the charges against the Illinois Senator.

It became evident today that no Senator on the committee entertained hope that the first of the year would see the end of the inquiry. It is generally expected that the case will be carried well over into the Spring. Counsel for Lorimer are being accused of using every pretext for delay of any sort.

More witnesses were introduced by the defense today to discredit the testimony of Charles A. White, the former Illinois legislator who made an alleged confession that he had been bribed to vote for Lorimer.

Home E. Shaw, a banker of Bement, Ill., and a Democratic representative at the assembly which elected Lorimer, testified that White had told him he would vote for Lorimer "if he got the chance." Shaw said he and all the country Democrats had voted against Lorimer but the Chicago delegation was swung over. "I wasn't surprised at anything the Chicago Democrats did," said Shaw.

James W. Doyle, of the labor lobbyists at Springfield, who said he was seeking certain legislation, declared White had intimated to him that "he wasn't living on wind," but Doyle gave no testimony of having been asked directly for a bribe.

DURHAM MAN'S GIFT.

Ten Thousand Dollars for Monument to Women at Raleigh.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 11.—Col. A. S. Horne, a prominent resident of Durham, N. C., has given $10,000 for the erection of a monument to the women of the Confederacy at Raleigh, N. C., according to a telegram received here today from Gen. Julian S. Carr by Gen. C. Irvine Walker, chairman of the U. C. V. committee on women's monuments.

Colon, Dec. 11.—Jacquez De Peretti De La Rocca, French vice consul here, was drowned last evening while bathing in the sea. His body was recovered. It is believed his death was due to heart disease.

LARGEST COTTON CROP ON RECORD

This is the Result of a Low Official Estimate.

NEARLY EVERY STATE GAINED

A Low Estimate is 14,885,000 Bales—All But Four States Made Gains Production by States—No Surprise

Washington, Dec. 11.—The greatest cotton crop on record, 14,885,000 bales, is the Department of Agriculture's estimate of the country's total production this year. This is greater by 1,447,000 bales than the record crop of 1904.

Officials of the Department of Agriculture were not surprised at the size of the crop as condition figures throughout the growing season indicated that the production would be large. Unofficial estimates made monthly during the year, using the Department's condition figures as the basis, were greatly exceeded by the official estimate made today.

Every State in the cotton belt, except Mississippi, Louisiana, Arkansas and Oklahoma, established new records for production.

The total production for the season of 1911-1912 will amount to 7,121,713,000 pounds (not including linters) or 14,885,000 bales of 500 pounds, gross weight according to the first official estimate of th esize of the crop issued at 2 P. M. today by the Crop Reporting Board of the United States Department of Agriculture and made up from reports of the correspondents and agents of the Bureau o. Statistics throughout the cotton belt.

Heretofore the record cotton crop was that of the year 1904 when 13,438,012 bales, exclusive of linters, were grown. Other large crops were those of 1906, which was 13,273,809 bales and 1908 when 13,241,799 bales were grown. In point of value, however, the crop of 1910, which was 11,608,616 bales, exclusive of linters, was the record one, the fibre being valued at $820,320,000 and the cotton seed, at $142,000 a total of $963,180,000 as the aggregate value of the cotton crop of that year.

Conditions early in the growing season this year led to the belief that the crop would be one of record proportions. First estimates of the yield, based on the condition figures, placed the probable production well toward the figures of the biggest crops heretofore grown. The acreage on which cotton was planted this season was estimated by the Department of Agriculture to be 35,004,000 acres, a greater area than ever before planted in cotton in this country. This vast area exceeded the previous record of acreage by more than 2,500,000 acres, there having been planted 32,444,000 acres in 1908, and 32,403,000 acres last year. In the record production year of 1904 only 30,053,739 acres were planted.

Scorching hot and excessively dry weather during the middle of the Summer caused considerable damage to cotton in many parts of the cotton belt. Later in the season weather conditions were distinctly favorable in most parts of the belt and the crop improved. The hot weather and drought, however, were responsible for a smaller yield this year than experts early in the season predicted as a result of the record acreage and splendid growing conditions then prevailing. One result of the hot weather was that the crop matured about two weeks earlier than usual.

The estimated production by Sates in 500-pound bales, exclusive of linters, follows:

Virginia, 23,000; North Carolina, 935,000; South Carolina, 1,480,000; Georgia, 2,560,000; Florida, 73,000; Alabama, 1,600,000; Mississippi, 1,195,000; Louisiana, 395,000; Texas, 4,280,000; Arkansas, 915,000; Tennessee, 420,000; Missouri, 83,000; Oklahoma, 915,000; California, 11,000.

KILLED BY ENGINE

Engineer and Fireman Met Death When Engine Fell From Chute

Greenville, S. C., Dec. 11.—Engineer Lawrence Maddox, of Columbia, and the colored fireman of a local freight train on the Southern Railway between Columbia and Greenville, were instantly killed at Pelzer, S. C., today when their engine fell 20 feet off a coal chute. The engine was placing cars on the chute and the brakes failed to work. Both men jumped to save their lives. As the tender of the engine turned over it fell upon the men horribly mangling them.

A little factory girl was standing nearby when the accident occurred and was seriously scalded by steam and hot water from the burst pipes of the engine.

New York, Dec. 11.—The coffee exchange will be closed December 23rd, the Saturday preceding Christmas. Members of the cotton exchange have also voted to close the exchange on Saturdays preceding Christmas and New Year days.

"The Panama Canal."

Realistic portrayal of stupendous engineering feats—Grand Theatre today. **

COURT GIVES ITS REASONS

Supreme Court Assigns Three Reasons Why New York Tobacco Board is Not Entitled to Review Decree.

Washington, Dec. 11.—In refusing today the request of the Leaf Tobacco Board of Trade of New York to review the decree of the United States Circuit Court for Southern New York, which approved the re-organization plan of the "Tobacco Trust", three reasons were assigned by the Supreme Court of the United States. These reasons which were set forth by Chief Justice White, were:

"One who is not a party to a record and judgment is not entitled to appeal therefrom.

"The action of the court below in refusing to permit the movers to become parties to the record is not susceptible of being reviewed by this court on appeal, or indirectly, under the circumstances here disclosed, by the writ of mandamus.

"The merely general nature and character of the interest which the movers alleged they have in the papers here filed is not on any event of such a character as to authorize them in this proceeding to assail the action of the court below."

A bill was introduced today by Senator Cummins granting to the Independent Tobacco Company's right to appeal to the Supreme Court from the New York decree approving the tobacco company's reorganization.

The bill gives as the reason for review a desire to ascertain whether the Circuit Court's decree is in conformity with the Supreme Court's decision in the tobacco case. Mr. Cummins will speak on his bill next Wednesday.

THE BASEBALL SCANDAL

National Commission Issues Statement to Public to Get Proof

New York, Dec. 11.—The National Commission issued a statement tonight to the public to prove it if there was colusion between the New York National League baseball club or any of its officials, and ticket scalpers in the world's series last October. So far, Chairman August Herrman said, the Commission has spent $1,500 looking for evidence and was prepared to spend more. It has investigated the scandal, he declared, and would continue to investigate, but real proof was hard to get. What evidence had already been garnered, he did not disclose.

Another matter discussed was gambling in baseball pools, upon which the members placed a ban. To correct this evil, the Commission adopted a resolution recommending to the National and American Leagues that they do all in their power in their respective circles to end the custom. It also was announced that the Commission will consult with 'the postoffice authorities and the proper Federal officials, to secure their cooperation to that end, it having been reported to the Commission that several newspapers and other periodicals carried these pools, making it seem a lottery."

The Commission reported that it had referred to President Lynch, of the National, and Johnson, of the American Leagues the request of the Eastern and Pacific Coast Leagues and American Association for higher rating. Each major will consider the question at its meeting tomorrow. The Commission will receive their reports at its annual meeting in Cincinnati January 3rd, and dispose of the matter then.

Incidentally, while the Commission was considering the request, the Eastern League meeting a few blocks away, approved it and voted to change its name to the International League. President Edward G. Barrow was re-elected president, secretary and treasurer for a term of five years. The playing season will open April 18th and close September 23rd.

In length of discussion of the world's series the ticket scandal overshadowed every other topic before the National Commission.

OUTLINES.

Briceville, Tenn., is a pathetic scene. Of the large number of miners who were in the coal mine at the time of the explosion which occurred Saturday morning, only 22 bodies have been removed. There is no hope of life for any of the men. The mournings of the families in the shanties is pathetic.——According to the estimate of the United States Department of Agriculture this year marks the largest yield of cotton ever recorded.——The United States Supreme Court has assigned the New York Leaf Tobacco Board of Trade three reasons why it will not let it review the Circuit Court's decree——Twenty-one boys from the Southern States are in Washington this week taking in the sights as one of the rewards they are to get for their efforts in the corn contests for raising banner crops. Their work has been pleasing to the Department of Agriculture officials——An engineer and fireman of the Southern Railroad were killed at Pelzer, S. C., yesterday when an engine ran off a coal chute, turning over on them.

New York markets: Money on call, steady 2 to 2 1-2 per cent., ruling rate 4 1-2, closing bid and offered at 3. Spot cotton closed quiet. Flour steady with demand quiet. Wheat, spot easy; No. 2 red 94 1-8 elevator export basis, and 95 3-8 f.o.b. afloat; options closed 3-8 to 5-8 net lower. Corn, new 78 1-2 f.o.b. afloat; options nominal. Rosin steady. Turpentine firm.

Oporto, Portugal, Dec. 11.—Sixteen persons were killed tonight and thirty injured by the derailment of two cars, which fell into the river Douroud.

SOUTHERN FARMER BOYS AT CAPITOL

Receiving One of Their Rewards for Good Farm Work.

RAISED BANNER CORN CROPS

Twenty-one Boys From Southern States Taking in the Sights at Washington—Their Work Has Been Pleasing

Washington, Dec. 11.—Twenty-one boys from the Southern States, who won prizes this year for raising banner crops of corn, arrived here today and will spend the rest of the week taking in the sights of the National capital, one of the rewards of their efforts.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson tomorrow will present each of the boys a diploma in recognition of the good work done by them in the advancement of agriculture. They also will be presented to President Taft.

Agriculturtal Department officials in charge of the farm demonstration work are highly pleased with the result of this year's work by the boys' clubs. Both in quantity of corn raised and in cheapness of production it has been by far the best year since the idea was inaugurated three years ago. They point to the fact that six of the boys now here raised more than 200 bushels on their acre of land, whereas, last year this was done by only one boy. The average production among the twenty-one boys is about 175 bushels per acre.

Bennie Beeson, 11 years old, of Monticello, Miss., who grew 227 and a fraction bushels on his acre at a cost of 14 cents per bushel, is the leading prize winner, having come within a bushel of the best previous record. In cheapness of cost, Junius Hill, of Alabama, comes first, his 212 bushels having been raised at an average cost of only 8 1-2 cents a bushel.

"The most interesting feature of this year's corn work has spread like wild fire throughout the entire South," said Professor Martin today, who will have charge of the boys during their stay here, "is the extremely low cost of production shown by them; and we are much pleased with this, for one of the things on which Dr. Knapp, who started the movement, insisted, was that no efforts should be made to produce freak crops, no matter what the expense incurred might be, but that costs should be kept down. Therefore, in awarding the prizes cost counts equally with amount of production in determining the prize winners. Quality also is rated and the boys' general knowledge of correct farming methods, as shown by a paper he is required to prepare.'

The boys now here are: Eber A. Kimbrough and Junius Hill, Alabama; Burley Seagrave and Walter Hale, Arkansas; Ben Leath, Arthur Hill and Monroe Hill, Georgia; Cal Duncan and Howard Burge, Kentucky; John H. Henry, Jr., Louisiana; Bennie Beeson, Barnie Thomas and John Bowen, Mississippi; Charlie Parker, Jr., North Carolina; Phillip Wolf, Oklahoma; Miller Hudson and Claude McDonald, South Carolina; John V. McKibbon and Norman Smith, Tennessee; John A. Johnston, Jr., Virginia, and Edward Doyle, Illinois.

THE SHERWOOD BILL

Will Increase Pensions—Will Probably Pass House Tonight

Washington, Dec. 11.—Sharp interchange between Representative Sherwood and Anderson, of Ohio, whose districts adjoin and who have rival bills before the House for the increase of Civil war pensions, characterized the Houese debate on the Sherwood Pension Bill today. General Sherwood declared he would resign his seat in Congress if Mr. Anderson could find "one of the 5,000 soldiers in any district that I ever asked to vote for me."

The debate on the Sherwood Bill will end tomorrow afternoon with speeches by former Speaker Cannon, Representatives Fitzgerald and other House leaders. It is expected that the bill will pass the House tomorrow night in an amended form.

CONSTRUCT INTERURBAN R. R.

Recent Grants Insure Line From Greenville to Charlotte

Greenville, S. C., Dec. 11.—The directors of the Greenville, Anderson and Spartanburg Interurban Electric Railway at a meeting here today accepted the franchise recently granted by the Spartanburg aldermen for the entrance of the interurban into the city.

This action removes the last obstacle in the construction of the gap between Greenville and Charlotte.

MOVING WRECKED STEAMER

Navy Collier Sterling Being Moved Into Deep Water

Norfolk, Va., Dec. 11.—Wreckers have succeeded in moving about one hundred feet the Navy collier Sterling, which lies aground just inside of Cape Henry, where she had to be beached December 3rd to prevent her sinking, following a collision with the steamer Dorothy. With favorable weather it is believed that the Sterling may soon be gotten into deeper water.

WILL ROOSEVELT BE THE MAN?

Republican National Committee Members at Outs—Some Oppose Candidate for Chairman—Many Conferences.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Hostilities of an unexpected character and from an unlooked for quarter developed today among members of the Republican National Committee and other prominent party leaders who are here in connection with the meeting tomorrow to fix the time and place for the Presidential nominating convention next Summer. Opposition to Col. Harry S. New, of Indiana, the administraiton candidate for chairman of the powerful sub-committee on convention arrangements, was responsible for the ill feeling engendered. No settlement had been reached late tonight, but som of President Taft's friends announced that they not only would insist upon the election of Mr. New, but upon the naming a majority of the committee.

Only less interesting than the unlooked for controversy over the control of the sub-committee in charge of the convention was the exploitation throughout the day of Col. Theodore Roosevelt as the possible candidate for the Presidential nomination. The advocacy of Col. Roosevelt, but thinly veiled yesterday, was openly and promiscuously proclaimed today. The advocates of Col. Roosevelt's nomination apparently based their arguments in his behalf upon the fact that at no time had the former President said that he would not accept the nomination if it were tendered him. It is recognized he would not openly become a candidate, they said, but they were busy sounding members of the National Committee and other prominent Republicans in the city as to their sentiment in regard to "forcing" the nomination upon the "Colonel."

There were many who connected the open advocacy of Col. Roosevelt's nomination with the opposition to naming a committee of arrangements dominated by administration men. It was apparent through the day that friends of Col. Roosevelt were endeavoring in every way possible to postpone action by the National convention, which would definitely commit any body to any man's candidacy. The Roosevelt enthusiasts frankly stated that their hope lay in working up a demand for Col. Roosevelt to be expressed in the convention itself.

Friends of Col. Roosevelt also declared today that they were making an attempt at this time to force the issue. Their object was, they said, to leave matters sufficiently open to permit of his candidacy at the psychological moment.

Many conferences were held during the day and continue until the White House dinner tonight when President Taft was the host to a body far from united on the business which brought it to Washington. In the executive state dining room, however, it was realized that animosities would have to be laid aside for the dinner was arranged in formal honor of the committee, the guests including both the ardent supporters and the luke-warm friends of the President.

The sensational feature of today's skirmishing was the fact that Secretary Hilles, who is the active leader of the Taft forces in the campaign for re-nomination of the President and Postmaster General Hitchcock, who managed the President's campaign three years ago, seemingly were arrayed against each other. The rumors that the two were working at cross purposes flew thick and fast through the hotel corridors. Finally Mr. Hitchcock issued a statement in denial, but it did not entirely set the reports at rest. Mr. Hitchcock's statement follows:

"Statements which would indicate that there is friction between Mr. Hilles and myself are absolutely unfounded. My resignation as chairman of the National Committee was tendered in good faith on the day that I was confirmed as Postmaster General and from that time to this I have refrained from participation in the affairs of the committee. I have all that I can do at present to look after the business of my department and do not wish to be drawn into any controversy respecting National politics."

Friends of President Taft entered upon the work of the day, preliminary to the meeting tomorrow, thoroughly confident that there would be no opposition to Mr. New. It was not until afternoon that they learned that the programme arranged on Sunday was giving dissatisfaction. Strangely enough, the opposition came from members from the Southern States, the section over which the administration was supposed to be in undisputed control.

Members of the committee from the Southern States met early in the day, ostensibly to take measures of self-protection against any attempt in the next convention to reduce their representation. A motion was adopted authorizing Gen. Powell Clayton, of Arkansas, who acted as chairman, to name a committee of five to devise the method and provide the sinews to fight any movement to curtail the Southern delegation. At the conference, also, E. C. Duncan, from North Carolina, was endorsed for membership of the executive committee.

After this formal business had been transacted several members made impassioned speeches advocating opposition to preferment for any position of power of a man who had been a member of a State delegation that had voted solidly in the convention of 1908 to reduce the representation of the Southern States. It was recognized that Col. New was meant by this characterization, although after the meeting several members blandly re-

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CONVEY RECORDS TO U. S. OFFICIALS

Association Giving Government Light in Dynamiting Investigation.

EVIDENCE WILL BE PLENTIFUL

Officials of Iron Workers' Association Offer Testimony—Evidence From Several Sources — Burns Refrains from Talking.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 11.—That one or more officials of the International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers are surrendering voluntarily to the government, if needed in the investigation of an alleged nation-wide dynamiting conspiracy against structural iron contractors who maintain the "open shop," was made known tonight in statements by representatives of the National Erectors' Association. Without resistance being offered, letters and records have been conveyed by detectives engaged in the behalf of the Erectors' Association, from the headquarters of the Iron Workers' Association in this city to the office of the United States district attorney, it was announced.

"No promise of immunity to men suspected of complicity in the dynamiting conspiracy have been made by the government," declared Charles W. Miller, the district attorney.

"But, of course, we will accept evidence from any direction to be presented to the grand jury when it resumes its session next Thursday.

"I have got the evidence from the office of the Iron Workers' Association," said Detective Robert Foster, of the Erectors' Association, "but I will not say who turned it over to me. Certainly if it had been necessary, we could have obtained a search warrant, and made a raid, but this was not necessary."

The members of the Erectors' Association who are employers of non-union iron workers have suffered from one hundred explosions against their property since the association declared for the open shop in May, 1906.

It has been the point of the agent to search for those responsible for the explosions, resulting in the arrest of John J. and James B. McNamara and Ortie E. McManigal.

In the face of the announcement of the Erectors' Association, Representative Herbert S. Herkin, secretary of the Iron Workers' Association, flatly denied tonight that any papers had been taken from his office.

"The Erectors' Association and the Iron Workers' union stood as antagonistic as they had for the last five years," he said. "I have entered no negotiations with the Erectors or with the Federal authorities," he added. "I am not seeking immunity, and there would be no reason for me to 'come through.' The authorities can get anything in this office through the legal means provided, but nothing has been given out or taken by force since the raid on this office last April, when John J. McNamara was arrested and a mass of our records seized."

The letters taken from the Iron Workers headquarters are to be used, it is said, in the Federal grand jury's inquiry into the allegations that groups of men in many cities were implicated with John J. and J. B. McNamara, in dynamiting depredations.

Detective William J. Burns, who was in the city today, refused to make a statement regarding his present activity in the case. It is entirely in the hands of the Department of Justice," he said.

MAY POSTPONE TRIAL.

Rev. C. V. T. Richeson May Not be Put on Trial in January.

Boston, Dec. 11.—An effort was made today by the attorneys for the Rev. C. V. T. Richeson, charged with the murder of Miss Avis Linnell, to have the trial postponed from January 15th until later in the Winter and on Wednesday next, Judge Sanderson will hear arguments on the question.

Former Senator Morse and Philip R. Dunbar, of this city, and John L. Lee, of Lynchburg, Va., representing Richeson, conferred with Chief Justice Aiken and later were closeted for two hours with District Attorney Pelletier. It was then announced that an agreement had been reached to submit the question to Judge Sanderson Wednesday forenoon.

It is understood that Richeson's lawyers said they had not had sufficient time to prepare a defense, and would not be ready for two or three months.

CHILD LABOR BUREAU.

Senator Bailey Objects to Bill and Gives His Reasons.

Washington, Dec. 11.—Vigorous protest that the bill creating a child labor bureau in the Department of Commerce and Labor was unnecessary interference with the home, was made today when the measure was called up in the Senate by Mr. Borah, of Idaho. Senators Bailey and Heyburn objected.

Mr. Bailey contended the present system had produced the greatest race of people in the world's history and there was no need of invoking the government's aid. Mr. Heyburn declared it meant the establishment of nurseries throughout the country to determine the wisdom of parents.

THE NORTH STATE LEAGUE

Matter Will be Definitely Settled at Meeting in Charlotte Friday. Raleigh is Ready and Wilmington Almost.

People who have thought all along that it was mere idle prattle—this talk about the North Carolina Baseball League—had best steer towards the rear and take a resting posture, or either come up and take their medicine like a man. For a while there was very little to back what was said about the probability of the league being formed, but at present it seems that it will be only a matter of a couple of days before it will be a really true existing organization. Rumors have reached the league headquarters in Charlotte that the South Carolina towns will make no effort to remain in the league, and that their franchises will be formally delivered to the directors at the meeting in Charlotte Friday, and with this brought to pass the moguls will proceed to form the new league with such progressive Tar Heel towns as members as show a disposition to see it through successfully.

Raleigh is one of the minute men who is ready to come across with the "show-me" substance, and the Raleigh Athletic Association has announced that a brand new up-to-now park will be built for the reception of the Red Bird team. While Durham has declined to be interviewed so far, it is confidently expected that she will be ready when the times comes.

Yesterday's issue of the Charlotte Observer contained a long story of the prospects for the league, reproducing an article from Sunday's Star over which was the following lead:

"Raleigh and Wilmington are growing more and more enthused with the baseball situation as it becomes more and more certain that they will be members of the Carolina Association next year. In Raleigh the discussion centers about a big, new park, the question of the city's lining up being now assured and even the question of securing a team being secondry and in Wilmington, where a suitable park is available, the discussion now hovers about the personnel of the club. Nothing of a definite character has been heard from Durham, although it is regarded as certain that the Bull City will be in the circuit as soon as the official requisition is made for an answer. Nothing of an overt nature can be done until after Friday of this week, December 15th, which is the time that has been allotted to the South Carolina cities to give formal answer whether they shall be counted in next season or not. It is hardly regarded as possible that anything but a negative answer will be received for the three cities have practically stated that they want to drop out for a season. This will leave Charlotte, Winston-Salem and Greensboro as the three North Carolina towns remaining. To act as running mates with these three cities it has been suggested that Raleigh, Wilmington and Durham be invited into the league. Formal steps to this effect will be taken as soon as definite word is received from the South Carolina cities."

While it is a foregone conclusion that Wilmington will be represented at the meeting to talk the matter over, it yet lacks a few substantial contributions or subscriptions to assure a firm foundation as the promoters would like to stand on before vouchsafing Wilmington's sincerity to the tune of $1,000, which must be posted with the league directors.

It has been definitely decided to hold a benefit minstrel show early in the new year at which it is expected to raise a goodly sum for the support of the club, but just at present, before the Charlotte meeting, it would be very appropriate for anyone who feels the spirit move them to call by Struthers' Cigar Store and let the extent of their liberality be known. As a gentle hint—a baseball benefit day at one or all of the motion picture and vaudeville theatres in the city would sound nice. Now let's see which theatre we can announce a benefit day for in tomorrow's paper.

TWO NEW CORPORATIONS.

Certificates Received Yesterday Morning for Record.

Certificates of incorporation of two enterprises which recently received a charter from the Secretary of State were filed for record at the office of the Clerk of Superior Court yesterday. One is the W. B. Cooper Company, located at No. 302 North Nutt street, the object of which is to do a general wholesale grocery business, being in reality a continuation of the well established business of Mr. W. B. Cooper. The authorized capital stock is $250,000 with $100,000 subscribed by the following, the number of shares held by each being given: W. B. Cooper, 650 shares; D. H. Bryan, 100; I. W. Cooper, 100; W. R. Surles, 100; W. H. Schaefer, 20; D. O. Westbrook, 20; R. L. Franck, 10.

The other is the Doctor Paul Medicine Company, which is chartered to manufacture drugs and patent medicines. The authorized capital stock is $100,000, but may begun business on $40,015, which has been subscribed by E. G. Bullock, 40,000 shares; E. L. Moore, N. B. Tipton and Dr. Paul Fitzgerald, the latter of Selma, five shares each.

THE DAY AT PORT.

Steamer Returns to Port on Account of Fire on Board.

The British steamer Oceana, which sailed Saturday for Bremen with a cargo of cotton for Alexander Sprunt & Son, returned to port after one day out on account of fire in hold No. 2. The cargo was valued at more than a million dollars.

British steamer Appenine arrived from Portland, Me., coming via Newport News.

Clyde steamer Navahoe is in port on its trip from New York.

Steamer Glenwood, British, sailed for Port Glasgow, Scotland, with a cargo of gum veneering and gum logs from Acme Tea Chest Co.

"The Nation's Pride."

"The Panama Canal in 1911", great achievement in motion pictures, showing work as it is progressing on big ditch—Grand Theatre today. **

..Theatrical..

The subject of Oberammergau and the Passion Play seems to be an engrossing theme, if one can be permitted to base a judgment on the manner in which Mr. Henry Ellsworth and his pictorial reproduction of "Oberammergau, Its People and Their Passion Play of 1910" have been growing in popularity in New York. First Mr. Ellsworth gave his interesting entertainment at the Gaiety Theatre, then at the Lyric Theatre with a larger seating capacity and finally it became necessary to transfer the entertainment to the New York Hippodrome, the largest of all the New York theatres, to accommodate Mr. Ellsworth's growing audiences, and there he succeeded in filling the vast auditorium. Mr. Ellsworth gives his audiences the benefit of his studies of Oberammergau for the past 11 Summers, and presents during the course of his entertainment over 300 exclusive colored photographic views of the village, its inhabintants and the Passion Play. Mr. Ellsworth will appear at the Academy three days this week, commencing with Thursday night and giving special matinees Friday and Saturday. The presentations here will be of unusual importance as they will be given under the auspices of the Wilmington Lodge of Elks and tickets may be secured from the members, to be exchanged at Plummer's for reserved seats, when the sale opens there tomorrow. The night prices will be 25 and 50 cents, and the matinee price 25 cents.

Grand Theatre

Today The Grand Theatre will show one of the most instructive pictures ever produced, it being an Edison production entitled "The Panama Canal in 1911," showing the mammoth mechanical work going on every day on the site of the big canal. Almost everyone has read accounts of this wonderful undertaking that has been shouldered and nearly completed by Uncle Sam, but few can have a proper conception of the stupendous amount of work that is being done daily in order to complete it in the shortest time possible. In this film just out from the great Edison works, it is all brought within "speaking distance" and even closer, to the audience and will awake a patriotic pride in the breast of every true American to see the almost superhuman engineering and construction feats being pulled off by our Uncle. Another first-class film is entitled "Too Much Realism," this being a Western comedy that will make you hold your sides. In this picture, a Kalem masterpiece, will be seen "A group of American beauties," also showing how a Western cowgirl disapproves of the manner in which the Western life is portrayed in ordinary motion picture life. Another new picture of merit will be presented but the first famed alone will satisfy you. Mr. Morgan will sing "Fairy Moon," a new and beautifully illustrated ballad.

At The Bijou.

Headed by what without doubt is the purest and sweetest story ever created into moving pictures the Bijou will today offer a big and unusually fine programme, and the latter is certainly lavishing praise on the bill when it is taken into consideration the superb nature of everything the Bijou has yet presented. The great film that will lead today's Bijou offering is nothing less than the wonderfully tender masterpiece, "Suffer Little Children." It is remarkable for the sweetness it sheds and for the beautiful story it unfolds. It will bring tears to every eye, but they are finally wiped away with a smile, as the sunshine breaks through, when bearing a Sunday School card on which is the sublime inscription, "Suffer Little Children to Come Unto Me, for Such Are the Kingdom of Heaven." There is nothing light or trite about the film. It is an impressive story, told in pure, beautiful way. Another strong photoplay on at the Bijou today is "The Temptation of Rodney Vane." It is stirringly dramatic. In addition to these two big features there will be other big films and a new and swell programme of music.

PASSION PLAY PLEASES

Norfolk Theatre Played to Crowded Houses---Here Thursday

Relative to the attraction which will be seen for three days this week, matinee and night, at the Academy of Music, Ellsworth's production of "Oberammergau," giving views of the Passion Play, Mr. S. A. Schloss, manager of the Academy yesterday received the following telegram from the manager of the Norfolk Theatre where it was presented last week in a three-days' engagement:

"Manager Academy of Music, Wilmington, N. C..

"Ellsworth's 'Oberammergau' closed three-days' engagement last night to crowded house. Most beautiful and perfect views ever shown in Norfolk. Unanimous endorsement from all the newspapers and public delighted. Ellsworth's views are positively genuine and you can guarantee attraction first class.

"J. S. ELBURG, Manager."

Popular prices will prevail during the engagement here and tickets will go on sale at Plummer's tomorrow morning.

Charged With Assault.

H. Mack Godwin was arrested yesterday afternoon by Hall Officer Joe Lane on a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon upon F. H. Jones. Godwin was given berth in the City Hall until after supper, when he furnished bond in the sum of $50 for his appearance in the Recorder's court. There is at present a suspended judgment of three months on the county roads on Godwin. The sentence was imposed by Deputy Recorder Geo. Harriss only a short while ago, and was suspended upon condition that he be on his good behavior for three months.

Ends Winter's Troubles.

To many, Winter is a season of trouble. The frost-bitten toes and fingers, chapped hands and lips, chilblains, cold-stores, red and rough skins, prove this. But such troubles fly before Bucklen's Arnica Salve. A trial convinces. Greatest healer of burns, boils, piles, cuts, sores, bruises, eczema and sprains. Only 25c at R. R. Bellamy.

"The Panama Canal."

Realistic portrayal of stupendous engineering feats—Grand Theatre today. **

STEAMER OF COTTON AFIRE

Stubborn Blaze in Hold No. 1, on the Oceana, Which Cleared Friday for Bremen — Discovered at Sea, and the Vessel Returns.

The British steamer Oceana, which cleared this port Friday for Bremen with a large cargo of cotton from Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son, was discovered to have a fierce fire burning in the cotton in Hold No. 1, when a point off Frying Pan shoals was reached last Saturday, and the vessel was immediately started back at full speed, reaching Southport Saturday afternoon and proceeding Sunday to Wilmington, docking between Nun and Church streets, where the blaze was said last night to be still raging, with the hope that it would be checked by morning, anyway.

Chief Chas. Schnibben, of the Wilmington Fire Department, was called yesterday afternoon about 3 o'clock and after going in person and making an examination, called out a hose wagon and the fire boat Atlantic. The fire boat was put to work with a stream of water and a line of hose was run from Front and Church streets, the nearest fire plug. The fire is confined to No. 1 hatch, and Chief Schnibben expressed confidence last night that he will be able to subdue the flames. He said, however, that the cotton will have to be gotten out of the hold just as soon as possible, or the fire can never be extinguished.

The hatch was taken off a short time yesterday afternoon before Chief Schnibben was called, and when the fire chief arrived he found smoke and flames leaping from the hold. The hatch was replaced and the fight against the flames was resumed.

Steam is being pumped into the hold as well as water. Chief Schnibben gave instructions that the fire boat lay beside the steamer all night to be used if necessary in continuing the fight.

The Oceana cleared Friday for Bremen with a cargo of 17,300 bales of cotton from Messrs. Alexander Sprunt & Son. The value of the cargo is $1,038,000, and it will probably be damaged several thousand dollars by the fire.

Laymen's League Meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Laymen's League tomorrow night at 8:30 o'clock at St. James' Parish house, at which time the League will be addressed by Eugene Massie, Esq., of Richmond, Va. Mr. Massie will tell of the work of the League in Richmond and the success it has met there. He is a polished speaker, and his remarks will doubtless prove interesting to the large attendance that will greet him.

The Quickest Cough Cure-Cheap, But Unequaled

A Whole Pint of It for 50c. Saves You $2. Does the Work Quickly or Money Refunded.

For quick and positive results, the pint of cough syrup that you make with a 50-cent bottle of Pinex cannot be equaled. It takes hold instantly and will usually stop the most obstinate deep-seated cough inside of 24 hours. Even croup and whooping cough yield to it quickly.

The user of Pinex mixes it with homemade sugar syrup. This gives you a full pint—a family supply—of better cough remedy than you could buy ready mixed for $2.50. Easily prepared in 5 minutes—full directions in package.

Pinex soothes and heals the inflamed membranes with remarkable rapidity. It stimulates the appetite, is slightly laxative, and tastes good—children like it. Excellent for hoarseness, asthma, bronchitis, and other throat troubles, and has a wonderful record in cases of incipient lung trouble.

Pinex is a special and highly concentrated compound of Norway White Pine extract, rich in guaiacol and other natural healing pine elements. Simply mix with sugar syrup or strained honey, in a pint bottle, and it is ready for use. Used in more homes in the U. S. and Canada than any other cough remedy.

Pinex has often been imitated, but never successfully, for nothing else will produce the same results. The genuine is guaranteed to give absolute satisfaction or money refunded. Certificate of guarantee is wrapped in each package. Your druggist has Pinex or will gladly get it for you. If not, send to The Pinex Co., Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Sweetness

is Nature's signal that a food is good. *You need sugar—lots of it.* But it must be *natural* sweetness. Some syrups are masqueraders—really *tasteless* and *healthless*, with a *sprinkling* of sugar.

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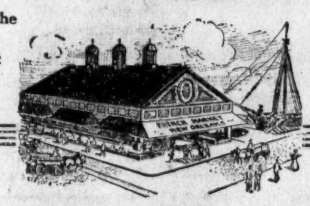

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CHRISTMAS!

Practical Gifts For Men

To the average man a well balanced selection of Christmas gifts comes as a complete surprise. Fondly his appreciative eye dwells on each other in turn. "What a corking good layout and each the best of its kind."

There lies the secret—give him some practical article that he'll instantly realize as first class. There are rare gift possibilities in the Christmas specials shown below:

Neckwear, in Fancy Boxes; Combination Sets; Mufflers; Silk Handkerchiefs; Linen Initial Handkerchiefs; Kid Gloves, dressed or undressed; Bath Robes in all new designs; Top Shirts, fancy and plain; Hats and Caps for men and children; Boys' Suits; Men's Suits, and Young Men's Suits, the best makes.

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clothes make a fine Christmas gift; practical, serviceable, and durable. But you'll find plenty other things here that cost less than a suit or overcoat, they are things that men need; just drop in here and look over the things we have for gift purposes.

We'll help you pick out the right thing.

Here are a Few Suggestions
For Christmas Presents
For Men and Boys:

Robes, Fancy Waistcoats, Neckwear (big variety), Suspenders, Hosiery, Handkerchiefs, Gloves, Men's Jewelry, Leather Goods, Sweater Coats, Mufflers, Pajamas, Hats, Umbrellas and Smoking Jackets.

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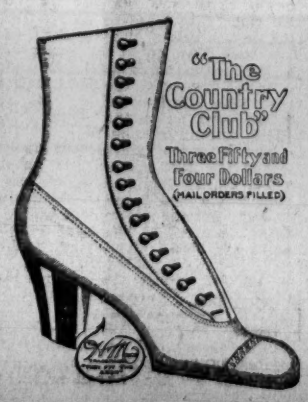

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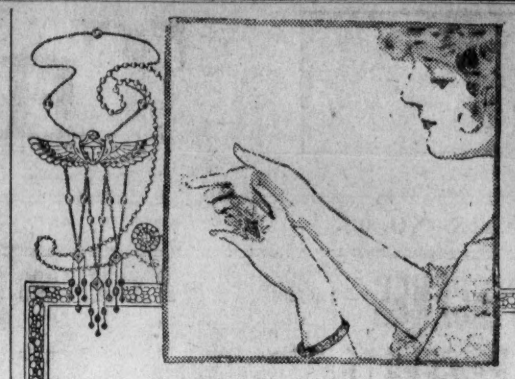

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"THE PIANO WITH THE SWEET TONE."

Here is an opportunity to bring music—at little cost—into those homes which have not yet felt its fine influence.

Below you will find a list of pianos which have been traded in for new Stieffs:

Shaws and Stieff and Shaw Player Pianos.

Mathushek Mahogany case $250.00
Fine art case design in excellent condition, good, full tone.

Franklin & Co., Walnut Case $160.00
A good piano for a beginner, nice, easy action, good tone, a real bargain.

Kingsbury $175.00
Slightly used. In good condition.

Kahler & Campbell, Mahogany Case $225.00
In first-class shape.

We have several nice Organs which will be sold at a big bargain; a regular $375.00 Shaw Piano, slightly used, for $300.00.

Terms can be made to suit the purchaser.

Do not purchase before investigating our line.

CHAS. M. STIEFF
213 Princess Street. S. R. COLEY, Manager.

DAY'S NEWS FROM RALEIGH

Carolina Metal Products Company, of Wilmington, to Build Sidetracks —Tramway Company Chartered—Turnout Stolen

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 11.—The Corporation Commission issued an order today for the construction of two sidetracks in the southern section of Wilmington for the Carolina Metal Products Company and for Theo. D. Empie. The order carries with it the crossing of a number of streets subject to approval by the Wilmington aldermen. Representations to the Commissioners are that there is no opposition to the proposed sidings, the procurments of the orders being in compliance with statutory requirements.

There was a charter issued today for the Arapahoe-Bairch Creek Tramway Co., Pamlico county, capital $15,000 authorized and $4,000 subscribed by H. A. Reel and others.

There was filed today the dissolution certificates for the Auditorium Amusement Co., of Charlotte, of which M. B. Hunter, H. P. Hunter and others were the incorporators.

An early morning fire today destroyed the news stand of M. Fromme on Martin street near the union passenger station. The damage was $1,300 with $850 insurance. The origin of the fire is not known.

Early Sunday morning a fire was discovered in the boiler room of the gas plant of the Carolina Power and Light Co. A tar barrel had caught in some way. The flames spread to the roof of the boiler room and threatened to develop into serious proportions before it was gtten under control. The estimated damage was about $1,250.

Last night someone stole a horse and buggy from R. P. Harton, who lives on Hillsboro road just beyond the State fair grounds. The thief went into the stable yard, hitched up the horse and drove toward the city. Every effort is being put forth to catch the thief and recover the turnout. It is a black mare and the vehicle a rubber-tired buggy.

CELEBRATE ANNIVERSARY

Cornelius Harnett Council, Royal Arcanum, Elects Officers

The regular meeting of Cornelius Harnett Council No. 231, Royal Arcanum, last night was featured by the election of officers for the ensuing year and election of committee to have in charge the arrangements for the anniversary celebration in January. Officers were elected as follows:

Regent—H. A. Huggins.
Vice Regent—I. H. Weil.
Orator—W. R. Stewart.
Secretary—Dr. S. Mendelsohn.
Collector—J. Weil.
Treasurer—R. H. Northrop.
Guide—J. C. Morrison.
Chaplain—H. E. Payne.
Warden—S. Goodman.
Sentry—A. Silverman.

Mr. J. Weil was elected as representative to the next meeting of the Grand Council and Capt. W. P. Monroe was named as alternate. Messrs. B. Solomon, M. Rosemann and L. M. Bunting were named as trustees.

During the year the council received 21 new members, lost five on account of death, and have three candidates awaiting initiation.

The council, the oldest in the State, was organized January 9th, 1879, and will celebrate its 32nd anniversary with a banquet Monday night, January 8th, a committee composed of the following being named to make arrangements for the event: Messrs. A. Silverman, W. P. Monroe and J. C. Morrison.

NEGRO SHOOTS ANOTHER

Ephraim White Seriously Wounded by Pistol Shot

Ephraim White, colored, was shot and seriously wounded yesterday morning about 11 o'clock. Howard Jenkins, another negro did the shooting, it is believed by the officers. The shooting occurred in James Alley, between Taylor and Howard streets. Patrolman H. P. Merritt, who was in the vicinity at the time, was attracted by the noise of a pistol shot. He ran to the scene of the shooting and found one negro lying on the ground, while two were running away. The officer pursued and caught one of them, who gave his name as Simon Jones. He denied that he did the shooting and stated that Howard Jenkins was responsible for the crime. Jenkins had not been apprehended up to a late hour last night.

White was carried to the James Walker Memorial Hospital, where his wound was treated. The bullet entered the body near the hip, and while it is a serious wound, it was stated at the hospital yesterday that the man would recover.

ANNUAL MEETING HELD

Insurance Department, Section 221, Knights of Pythias

The annual meeting of Section 221, Insurance Department, Knights of Pythias, was held last night at 7:30 o'clock in the Pythian parlor with a large number of members in attendance. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: President, J. D. Nutt; vice president, A. T. St. Amand; secretary, J. F. Littleton. This Section has paid to the families of deceased members during the past year $8,000 and has in force in Wilmington at the present time $167,000 in insurance.

Lightning Kills Few.

In 1906 lightning killed only 169 people in this whole country. One's chances of death by lightning are less than two in a million. The chance of death from liver, kidney or stomach troubles is vastly greater, but not if Electric Bitters be used, as Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Ia., proved. Four doctors gave him up after eight months of suffering from virulent liver trouble and yellow jaundice. He was then completely cured by Electric Bitters. They're the best stomach, liver, nerve and kidney remedy and blood purifier on earth. Only 50c at R. R. Bellamy.

Ladies and Gents

Solid gold, gold filled and silver watches one of my specialties. J. T. Burke, the Jeweler. de 3-tf.

LIVE OAK CAMP ELECTS.

Woodmen of the World Name Officers for Ensuing Term.

With an enthusiastic attendance, Live Oak Camp, W. O. W., No. 6, last night elected officers for the ensuing term, as follows:

Past Con. Com.—Geo. T. Hewlett.
Con. Com.—C. L. Williamson.
Banker—W. H. Howell.
Clerk—Geo. C. Jackson.
Escort—Geo. Tucker.
Watchman—E. D. Harvey.
Sentry—W. E. Davis.
Managers—John E. Wood, W. G. A. Otersen and J. W. Fleet.
Camp Physicians—Drs. C. D. Bell, R. H. Bellamy, D. W. Bulluck and J. A. Dosher.

The newly elected officers will be installed the second Monday evening in January. The meeting for the installation ceremonies will be held at 7:30 o'clock, and at 8 o'clock the Woodmen will board a special car at Front and Princess streets, for Wrightsville Sound, where an oyster roast will be served at the Lighthouse. The Camp is in a flourishing condition. It has a membership of over 300. Applications are received at every meeting. The members are anticipating a fine outing on the occasion of the trip to the Sound.

"THE PASSION PLAY."

Will be Presented at Academy Under Auspices of Elks.

There was a special meeting last night of Wilmington Lodge, B. P. O. Elks, for the purpose of making final arrangements for the presentation of "The Passion Play" at the Academy of Music Thursday, Friday and Saturday, under the auspices of the lodge, for the benefit of the Elks' Christmas chairty fund. The Elks only get a percentage on the tickets sold by the Elks, and not on the tickets sold at Plummer's and at the box office.

Friends of the lodge are asked to remember this when purchasing their tickets. These tickets must be purchased before Thursday, or it will not benefit the Elks. Tickets may be had from any member of the lodge, as well as from Mr. H. E. Longley, Exalted Ruler; Mr. James Owen Reilly, secretary, or Mr. F. K. Hottall, at the Atlantic Coast Line offices.

Date Muffins

(Recipe by Mrs. Helen Armstrong)

This recipe has met with considerable favor at Mrs. Helen Armstrong's cooking lectures. Taste these muffins once and you will want more:

Cream three tablespoons of Cottolene with four of sugar and add two beaten eggs, also two-thirds of a cup of milk. Sift two cups of flour with two teaspoons of baking powder, a little salt and nutmeg, and add three-fourths of a cup of dates cut small. Pour first mixture over this ,beat thoroughly and bake in greased muffin pans.

Cottolene makes pastry that is light, delicious and digestible.

Pneumonia Very Dangerous

Every one who has a cold is in actual danger of contracting pneumonia. The patient must have prompt attention and prompt relief will be given by

VICK'S Croup and Pneumonia SALVE

It is a reliable treatment that goes straight to the seat of the disease through inhalation and absorption.

The healing, antiseptic and germ destroying vapors are inhaled with each breath, while externally, the treatment is absorbed through the pores.

The effect is immediate—the result permanent. Send to your druggist at once for a jar—when you need it, you will need it badly.

At your druggist's or by mail
25c. 50c. $1.00
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WE WISH YOU GOOD WISHES

as befits the season, and to emphasize the wish we ask you to come here for all your needs in our line and we will make it well worth your while. We have the newest goods in the largest assortments and we are asking only the most legitimate prices. Come here first, or come here last. We will show you that this is the place to save Christmas money.

DR. CULBRETH'S Dental Parlors
Front and Princess Sts.

PROPOSALS

will be received by the undersigned until 12 o'clock noon, December 18th, for building a road with asphalt macadam on 15th street. Approximately three thousand (3,000) square yards. Certified check for $500 must accompany each bid. Specifications and blank forms can be obtained by application to the City Engineer. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids or accept any bid to the best interest of the City.

P. Q. MOORE,
Councilman Department of Streets and Wharves.
F. F. PILLET, City Engineer.
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THE LITTLE CHAPS AND BIG CHAPS.

Hazelain Cream, the daintiest, nicest and most refreshing preparation on the market for chapped hands and lips and after shaving. Heals and cures roughness. Makes the skin soft and smooth.

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KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Annual Election of Officers of Wilmington Council

At a well-attended meeting last night of Wilmington Council No. 1674, Knights of Columbus, officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows:

Grand Knight—H. T. Bauman.
Deputy Grand Knight—Thos. E. Applewhite.
Financial Secretary—E. F. Peschau.
Recorder—W. F. Powell.
Treasurer—D. M. Carroll.
Warden—D. J. O'Keefe.
Chaplain—Rev. C. Dennen.
Chancellor—W. A. Peschau.
Advocate—John Feenan.
Inside Guard—Geo. B. Applewhite.
Outside Guard—S. C. Winner.
Trustees—Jas. J. Allen, J. E. Shannon and James Owen Reilly.

Arrested for Retailing.

Robert Loudon, colored, of Topsail Sound, Pender county, was arrested and brought to this city yesterday afternoon by United States Deputy Marshal C. O. Knox, on a warrant charging him with retailing liquor without United States revenue license, in violation of the law. The negro furnished bond in the sum of $250 for his appearance before United States Commisioner Geo. Harriss, for preliminary hearing next Friday.

BUY YOUR TICKET

for "The Passion Play," which will be presented at Academy of Music, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, from a member of Elks Lodge, if you would help increase the Elks' Christmas charity fund. Tickets should be purchased before Thursday. Tickets purchased at Plummer's or the box office will not help the Elks any.

We Have to Arrive For Merry Christmas

600 Boxes Florida Oranges at 2.40 per box.

175 barrels of Baldwin and York Imperial Apples No. 2, at $3.00 per barrel.

150 Barrels of Baldwin Apples, at $3.50 per barrel.

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250 Bunches Bananas at $1.00 per bunch.

2,500 Cocoanuts, 100 to the bag, at $4.50 per bag.

3,000 Cocoanuts, 150 to the bag, at $4.50 per bag.

Also Mixed Nuts, Candies, and Raisins.

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Winstead Produce Co.
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STATEMENT CONDITION.

THE MURCHISON NATIONAL BANK.

of Wilmington, N. C.
at the Close of Business, December 5th, 1911.

RESOURCES.

Loans and Discounts	$3,539,269.70
U. S. Bonds (at par)	551,000.00
Bank Building	25,000.00
Bonds and Other Securities	96,575.00
Cash and Due by Banks	1,573,766.67
	$5,785,611.37

LIABILITIES:

Capital Stock	$ 825,000.00
Surplus and Net Profits	470,054.29
Circulation	550,000.00
U. S. Bonds Account	100,000.00
Deposits	3,840,557.08
	$5,785,611.37

H. C. McQUEEN, President,
J. V. GRAINGER, Vice President,
J. W. YATES, Vice President,
C. S. GRAINGER, Cashier.

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Quickest and Best Line West and North west.

Block System. Rock Ballast. 85-lb. Rail
Schedule in Effect February 12, 1911:

Lv Norfolk	8:30 a m	8:00 p m
Lv. Petersburg	11:00 a m	10:40 p m
Lv. Durham	7:00 a m	5:30 p m
Lv. Lynchburg	2:40 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Cincinnati	7:25 a m	6:25 p m
Ar. Columbus	6:45 a m	6:55 p m
Ar. Chicago	5:00 p m	7:30 a m
Ar. St. Louis	6:35 p m	2:30 a m

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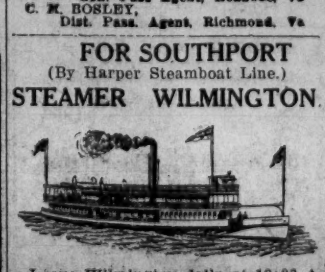

Leave Wilmington daily at 10:00 A. M.
Leave Southport daily at 2:30 P. M.

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The Perfection Smokeless Oil Heater, with its drums enameled in turquoise, is an ornament to any room, whether in the country or city home.

No home is quite complete without a Perfection Oil Heater. It is a necessity in the fall and spring, when it is too warm to start the regular heating apparatus, and too cool to be without heat. In the midst of winter it is often convenient as an auxiliary heater, as there are always some cold corners in a house.

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Dealers everywhere. Ask yours to show you the Perfection Heater enameled; or write for descriptive circular to any agency of

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(Incorporated)

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The turmoil of Christmas Boils. The steady flow in and out of grown folks and children, the bundle-laden customers, the crowded delivery wagons and the busy clerks indicate the fact that something unusual is going on. If you drop into our Big Store, you will see the cause at a glance, for every spare inch of floor and wall space is blossoming with

XMAS AND HOLIDAY BEAUTIES,

and the reasonable prices at which they are selling are as attractive as the articles themselves.

All kinds of Toys, both Mechanical and Simple — Dolls of every grade, style and price; Wagons, Carts, Barrows, Carriages, Goat Sulkies, Tricycles, Air Rifles, Pistols, Toy Trunks, Doll Beds, Doll Houses, Steam Engines, Moving Picture Shows, Etc.

All New, Clean, Fresh Goods, and selling for Less Money than you can buy them elsewhere.

Fancy Toilet Sets, Brass, Nickle and German Silver Mantel Ornaments, Bric-a-Brac, together with a large lot of Fancy Writing Paper in Plush and Silk Covered Boxes.

These goods are Salesmen's Samples, bought at a Bargain, and we are selling them for about half the money you are accustomed to paying for the same.

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in order to reduce our stock of these goods, while the public is buying Holiday Presents.

1,280 Dozen Men's Hose for One-Half the Price it costs to make them—they are 25c and 10c hose.

We are selling the 25c hose for **12½c**, the 10c. Hose for **6¼c**, and they are going—All who see Buy.

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The Lucky Bird Catches the Worm

Luck has favored us as never before. We have been able during the past few days to buy goods cheaper than ever before.

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ATLANTIC COAST LINE

Arrivals and Departures of Trains at Wilmington, Effective October 10, 1911. Time Not Guaranteed.

DEPARTURES	TO AND FROM	ARRIVALS
No. 90, ! 3:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Eastern North Carolina points. Connects at Goldsboro with Southern Railway and Norfolk Southern Railroad. No. 91 leaves Norfolk 3:35 P. M. and Richmond 4:10 P. M.)	No. 91, a 1:00 A. M.
No. 51, * 5:45 A. M.	Chadbourn, Conway, Florence, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Tampa, Ft. Myers, Columbia and Asheville. **Pullman Wilmington at and after 10:00 P. M., and Columbia, open to receive passengers at Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and may be occupied until 7:00 A. M.**	No. 50, *11:49 P. M.
No. 64, ! 5:30 A. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 65, ! 6:50 P. M.
No. 48, * 8:40 A. M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk and Washington. **Pullman Parlor Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk, connecting at Rocky Mount with New York Trains with Pullman Service.**	No. 49, * 6:15 P. M.
No. 53, * 8:45 A. M.	Solid train between Wilmington and Mt. Airy, via Fayetteville and Sanford.	No. 52, * 8:05 P. M.
No. 55, * 3:15 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway (!) Florence, Charleston, Savannah, **All Florida Points,** Columbia, Asheville and the West. **Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Columbia.**	No. 54, 1:40 P. M.
No. 62, * 3:25 P. M.	Jacksonville, Newbern and Intermediate Stations.	No. 63, *12:50 P. M.
No. 59, ! 6:30 P. M.	Fayetteville, Sanford and Intermediate Stations.	No. 60, !10:15 A. M.
No. 42, * 7:00 P.M.	Goldsboro, Richmond, Norfolk, Washington and New York. **Pullman Broiler, Buffet Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Washington, connecting with New York trains, with Pullman and Dining Car Service. Pullman Sleeping Cars between Wilmington and Norfolk.**	No. 41, * 9:45 A. M.
No. 57, ! 7:30 P. M.	Chadbourn, Conway and Intermediate Stations.	No. 58, ! 8:30 A. M.

* Daily. !Daily except Sunday. a Daily except Monday.

For folders, reservations, rates of fares, etc., call 'phone 160.

W. J. CRAIG, Passenger Traffic Manager.
T. C. WHITE, General Passenger Agent.
WILMINGTON, N. C.

SUBURBAN SCHEDULE.

IN EFFECT DECEMBER 4, 1911.
Winter Park, Wrightsville, Wrightsville Beach and Intermediate Points.

EAST BOUND.			WEST BOUND.		
Leave Wilmington for Winter Park	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville	Leave Wilmington for Wrightsville Beach	Leave Winter Park for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville for Wilmington	Leave Wrightsville Beach for Wilmington
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SPECIAL FOR SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS.
Leave Wilmington every half hour from 2:00 until 5:30 P. M.
Leave Beach every half hour from 2:45 until 5:45 P. M.

Cars marked * do not run on Sundays.
Cars marked † run Sundays only.
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Cars marked § leave at 1:10 P. M. on Saturdays.

FREIGHT SCHEDULE.

Daily Except Sunday.
Leave 9th and Orange streets 3:00 P. M.
Freight Depot open from 2 to 3 P. M.

SEABOARD Air Line Railway

SCHEDULE

Apply at Union Depot Ticket Office, 'Phone 1294, or Office of Commercial Agent, Orton Hotel, 'Phone 178.

Trains Leave Wilmington, Effective Nov. 26th, 1911.

No. 45—5:00 A. M.—For Hamlet, and intermediate points, to Charlotte, connects at Hamlet with No. 66, for Raleigh and points North.

No. 39—3:25 P. M.—For Charlotte, connecting at Hamlet with through trains for Atlanta, Birmingham, Jacksonville, Norfolk, New York, and trains in all directions. Arrive Hamlet 7:40 P. M.; leave Hamlet, 8:00 P. M.; arrive Charlotte, 10:50 P. M.

Trains Arrive at Wilmington:

No. 40—12:20 P. M.—From Charlotte.
No. 44—11:59 P. M.—From Charlotte and intermediate points.

No. 45 connects at Hamlet with No. 65, for all points North; at Monroe, with No. 53, for Atlanta.

No. 39 connects at Hamlet with No. 41, for Atlanta, Birmingham and Memphis; No. 84, for Washington and New York; No. 32, for Portsmouth, Norfolk, and No. 43, for Columbia, Savannah and Jacksonville.

Pullman Car service will be maintained between Wilmington and Charlotte on trains 39, 40, 45 and 44.

Sleeper on No. 45 open for occupancy at 10 P. M.

CLAUDE MURRAY, Union Ticket Agt. 'Phone No. 1294.
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FULL ASSOCIATED PRESS REPORT.

Tuesday, December 12, 1911.

The ladies shop often and early.

The argument of a great many men consists mostly of loud talk and gestures.

As soon as a man's sides get puffed out it is a sign that he is no longer a Spring chicken.

The boys of today will be the bald-headed men of the future if they are not careful how they butt in.

Wanted—Men who will take advantage of their own opportunities instead of interferring with the game of others.

Says a lecturer: "Neither turn to the right nor to the left." Yes, but suppose a blonde is seen on the right and a brunette on the left?

Secretary Wilson says: "The consumer pays $1 for food. The farmer gets less than 50 cents. Who gets the rest?" We leave it to the fellow who gets the consumer's dollar.

Mrs. Upton Sinclair's father calls his son-in-law a "pie-faced poet." He may be pie-faced but he can prove by readers of his verses that he is no poet.

Says the Washington Post: "Secretary Meyer plans to locate the new naval station at Narragansett." We know now where the Secretary and Admirals love to spend the Summer.

Says the Baltimore Evening Sun: "One million dollars has been paid for a Broadway corner in New York." Huh! That's nothing. The South has paid about $300,000,000 for a Wall street corner—in cotton.

A few nights ago some unknown thief in Milwaukee stole four quarts of champagne, twelve quarts of rock and rye, two quarts of Holland gin and two quarts of Burgundy. The first man caught with fishing tackle, gun and camp outfit should be arrested on suspicion.

A financial report from New York says "business is waiting to see what Congress will do." Are we to understand that "business" is afraid Congress will do something to put a stop to the way some business is transacted? Why should honest business care what Congress does?

It will never do to adopt the primary election system. It would take the nominations out of the hands of the few politicians who control the conventions. A primary election is certainly tough on the politician who has been in the habit of promising the vote of his county to different candidates.

The Public Utilities Corporation, of New Jersey, has issued an order to the twenty railroads with lines in that State that they must provide each passenger with an individual drinking cup or glass free of cost. Most passengers would prefer a cup of coffee and a sandwich at the expense of the railroads.

Some newspapers express sorrow that Woodrow Wilson sought a pension for his 25 years of educational work. The fact is, they are glad. It is the only thing they have to discuss in a way that may injure Wilson's chances for President. If they can't find anything worse than that the people will laugh at them.

Men will be surprised at the statement that the women of this country spend annually $400,000,000 a year for dress and finery. It can be realized what an enormous sum that is when we state that it is precisely one-third what men spend for drink. According to government statistics the men of this country guzzled $1,200,000,000 worth of drinkables the past year They are also making a good start this year.

The Wilmington Star thus hands the New York Sun a deserved one for its criticism of Woodrow Wilson's attitude on the Carnegie pension matter: "Those who would spurn a pension but 'bend the pregnant hinges of the knee that thrift may follow fawning,' are invited to throw rocks at New Jersey's Governor. The apologies for real culprits have found a mare's nest."—Raleigh News and Observer.

Have you heard the calliope of the press which serves the interests? It is playing in loud and piercing notes a concert of screeches and howls that are supposed to voice virtuous surprise and righteous shock over the discovery that Woodrow Wilson desired a small pension from the Carnegie Foundation, on the ground that he had been an educator for twenty-five years. At the same time, the greatly purturbed papers have always played on the soft pedal while malefactors of great wealth were being exposed. There is where their influence is lost on the people.

CORN RAISING HEROES.

The South Atlantic Corn Exposition opened at Columbia yesterday and will continue five days. North Carolina will be there with the record yield of the season on one acre of land, the champion of the South Atlantic this year having been Master C. W. Parker, Jr., of Hertford county. North Carolina will also give a good account of herself at the exposition, for her Corn Club boys have done magnificently in every particular. In this report to the State Board of Agriculture of North Carolina, Director T. B. Parker furnishes a splendid account of the corn raising achievements of the Boys' Corn Clubs by districts. From his report we take the following summary:

"The reports that have come in from the boys composing the corn clubs show that we 'built wiser than we knew' when the first appropriation was made for the purpose of organizing the boys into 'Boys' Corn Clubs.'

"Notwithstanding the dry year, the reports show an increased yield over those of last year. Fifty boys have averaged more than 100 bushels of shelled corn per acre, while one, Master Charlie W. Parker, Jr., reported 235 1-2 bushels, harvest measure, from one acre. The yield was so large that I took the precaution to send down and have the corn reweighed about a month after it was first measured. This was done in the presence of several witnesses. It was found that after the corn had dried out there were still 195.87 bushels of corn that tested by analysis 12.21 degrees moisture. I regard this the largest crop of corn ever grown on an acre of land in this or any other State.

"In Massachusetts last year and this year, the Bowker Fertilizer Company have offered premiums to users of their fertilizers who grew most corn on an acre of land. This year a Mr. White, of Connecticut, made a yield of 160 bushels, harvest measure, that when dried out to 12 degrees moisture, made 112.68 bushels of dry corn, That yield was considered remarkable and possibly the largest well authenticated, tested for moisture, yield ever made. Those people said our Southern yields lacked authenticity, so this year I was determined to use every precaution possible and give our largest yield the same laboratory test the Boston people gave. The test has shown that our North Carolina boy has beat all records for dry corn. These reports show more than mere number of bushels made on an acre of land. They also show a determination to do better farming. Some of the reports close with: 'I made a poor yield this year, but I am not discouraged. I am going to do better next year.' That is the way we like to hear a boy talk. It shows that there is something in him—a good farmer, and we are helping to develop him.

"The boys are my very best demonstrators. A dozen men will look at and inspect a boy's acre to every man who gives close inspection to the demonstration plat of a grown man. Not only are we helping the boys of the State by this work, but also the men. They do not usually like to be outstripped by a boy, so the boys are putting the men on their mettle, with the result that we are getting larger yields from both.

"The average yield for the fifty prize winners of the Boys' Corn Club contest, 1911:

Districts.	Bushels.
First	83.53
Second	129.76
Third	124.31
Fourth	123.34
Fifth	113.13
Sixth	110.01
Seventh	82.32
Eighth	98.44
Ninth	80.24
Tenth	117.38
Total average for the ten districts	106.24

"Largest yield, 235.66 bushels, harvest measure, or 196 bushels crib dry measure. Three boys made over 150 bushels, 33 boys made over 100 bushels, 89 made over 75 bushels, each per acre.

"Twelve hundred and sixty-five entered the contest. These representing 89 counties. The 264, representing 65 counties, made final reports. These 264 reports giving an average of 67.69 bushels per acre.

"Wilkes county made 39 reports, with an average yield of 50.61 bushels per acre. Edgecombe county made 13 reports with an average of 79.44 bushels per acre; Buncombe county made 15 reports, with an average of 88.73 bushels per acre; Johnston county made 13 reports, with an average of 60.09 bushels per acre; Robeson county made 12 reports, with an average of 61.75 bushels per acre; Pitt county made 11 reports, with an average of 72.96 bushels per acre.

"The average for the ten districts, 1911, Boys' Corn Club contest:

"First district, 63.22 bushels; Second District, 92.19; Third District, 78.67; Fourth District, 75.95; Fifth District, 70.12; Sixth District 60.51; Seventh District, 56.56; Eighth District, 67.41; Ninth District, 46.69; Tenth District, 81.77.

"Wilkes county had 133 boys in the contest. Thirty-nine made final reports giving an average of 50.61 bushels per acre."

Thus we observe that North Carolina will make a good showing at the exposition this week. In its forecast of the exposition, the Columbia State says:

"Friday has been designated as 'Boys' Corn Club Day,' and several hundred members of the clubs from North Carolina, Georgia and this State are expected to attend when an address will be delivered by Bradford Knapp, head of the United States farm demonstration work. He will deliver an address on some agricultural subject, the nature of which is to be announced later. Clemson College and the Agricultural and Mechanical College of North Carolina will send teams to compete in the corn judging contest. Two handsome trophy cups will be awarded to the winners. One of these cups is valued at $100 and was donated by the Southern Railway. The other is valued at $25 and was presented by The Progressive Farmer, an agricultural publication of Raleigh, N. C."

AFLAME FOR GOOD ROADS.

Eastern North Carolina has the good roads fever in good fashion. What a progressive newspaper press has not done in awakening the people has been completed by the good roads train of the enterprising Atlantic Coast Line. The Coast Line is doing something big for the country and one of its master strokes has been its special good roads train. It has been sweeping through eastern North Carolina for a fortnight, and will this week finish up the itinerary of its lines in the Wilmington section.

Up to last Saturday, good crowds had gathered to meet the train at its various stopping places, and it is encouraging to note that its staff of lecturers has been heard by 3,400 people. The weather has been fine most of the time, and altogether the result has been pleasing to the railroad management. The people everywhere have manifested deep interest and appreciation and enthusiasm for better highways has been awakened by the able lecturers and beautiful stereopticon views of good roads, by the fine exhibit of road machinery and by the practical demonstration of highway construction. The lesson has been carried to the people. They will profit by it, and eastern North Carolina assuredly will find itself moving forward more rapidly in developing on a line that must be acknowledged to be a prime factor in the progress of agriculture communities.

From all directions come words of praise and appreciation for the Coast Line's magnificent efforts to set this country into a quicker pace for substantial development. The great popular approval of the good roads train and commendation of the thorough and able manner in which the demonstration has been made, is a cheering sign. It denotes a tone of interest and earnestness on the part of the people, who, after all, must be the real developers of this matchless portion of the Nation's Garden Spot. The Coast Line, at tremendous expense, has shown them how, and if they desire to witness a development of the country on a more rapid scale than they have ever witnessed, it is for them to take the lesson to heart and make good roads building the chief aim of every county in eastern North Carolina. Nothing outside of actual capital will so develop the country, and that capital will be sure to come when its forerunner is improved highways.

Yesterday the good roads train visited Mount Olive and Warsaw, and this morning it will give the people of Sampson county a demonstration at Clinton. This afternoon the train will stop at Rose Hill and from there will go to Burgaw where it will remain till noon tomorrow. The train will arrive in Wilmington tomorrow at 12:54 P. M. and will remain here all of Wednesday afternoon. The schedule was changed in order that Wilmington might get the full benefit of the lesson, so none should fail to visit the train and see the demonstration. Upon invitation of Mr. J. M. Solky, the enterprising and public spirited proprietor of the Grand Theatre, the good roads pictures and pictorial exhibit will take place at that well equipped establishment. With the theatre's comfortable auditorium and fine electrical equipment, this feature of the demonstration can be carried out to great advantage. The lecture and pictures will be on from 2 P. M. to 3 P. M. It is hoped the school authorities will so arrange that the children of the public schools can see this good roads demonstration. It will be one they will never forget and its effect will be lasting. At Smithfield the school boys visited the train and heard the lectures, and those accompanying the train were struck with the great interest they manifested in taking notes of what they saw.

Elsewhere in The Star this morning is published the itinerary to be completed in eastern North Carolina. Jacksonville, Pollocksville and Newbern will be visited, and then the train will return to Wilmington and go thence to Whiteville, Chadbourn and Conway.

KEEPING MILLIONS AT HOME.

The merchants and business men of Wilmington and other North Carolina cities approve everything the Star and other newspapers have said in urging the people to buy from local dealers, so as to keep their money at home. We have earnestly urged that time and again because it is good economy. All the money we keep at home helps to build up Wilmington and other cities and in the aggregate it makes North Carolina prosperous.

Everybody who has a dollar to spend must be made to realize that it is to his interest to keep it home. Of course, it benefits the merchants, but it also benefits our communities and its individual members in the substantial home development that it brings about. Of course, the merchants endorse every word we say, and we have something more to say, which calls for their endorsement.

If it pays to keep our money at home in a mercantile way, it will pay our merchants to keep their money at home by making a specialty of North Carolina manufactures and products. When they purchase cotton goods of a certain kind, they should order the goods that are made at some mill in North Carolina. Even if they have to send to Boston, New York, or Philadelphia for the goods, they should specify the North Carolina products which the selling brokers handle. With more than a hundred furniture factories in North Carolina, no merchant should think of sending his money away from home for furniture. This is only a hint and it is not necessary to go on and name other North Carolina manufactures that will keep our money at home.

In that way we can keep millions of dollars at home. Moreover, we can keep many more millions in North Carolina by insuring our property or our lives in some of North Carolina's good, reliable insurance companies. We understand that this year the North Carolina insurance companies have written not less than $5,000,000 of business, and that means keeping money at home in big amounts. We can continue to do that by patronizing home companies, by increasing their capital stock and by organizing others. That is but a small number of the millions that we can keep at home.

We must keep at home the millions we pay for butter, meat, hay, corn, and food and feed stuffs. Aye, whatever products we can raise in North Carolina. So we see that the people, the merchants, the farmers and everybody else can get in this game of keeping money at home. Let everybody just try it and watch how prosperous it will make North Carolina. We send too many millions out of our reach.

CURRENT COMMENT.

It is claimed that the dissolution of the American Tobacco Company will mean much for Durham. This must mean that more tobacco will be manufactured here than formerly, and this being the case we fail to see where the dissolution is going to hurt the owners or stockholders of the two factories.—Durham Herald.

The canning industry ought to be one of the biggest of all North Carolina industries. It is good to see that the progressive town of Washington has subscribed to the stock to put up a large canning factory. It will afford a market for vegetables and fruits and stimulate diversified crops.—Raleigh News and Observer.

The Fisheries Convention will be held in Newbern next Wednesday and Thursday. The object of the convention is to provide ways and means for building up and perpetuating the fisheries of North Carolina. The fishing industry is important to the whole State and especially to Eastern Carolina, which furnishes a livelihood to thousands of families. Newbern is glad to have the honor of entertaining the first convention to look after the interests of this great industry.—Newbern Sun.

DWELLING BURNED SUNDAY.

Home of Mr. A. J. Lee Destroyed Sunday Afternoon.

The dwelling occupied by Mr. A. J. Lee, corner Third and Davis streets, wes destroyed Sunday afternoon about 4 o'clock. The firemen were called out but the fire had made such progress that their efforts were of no avail. All the furniture of the house and the clothes of Mr. and Mrs. Lee and of their several small children, were destroyed. Friends of the family came to their aid with substantial assistance and it is hoped that the family will soon be as comfortably situated as before.

While working at the fire Mr. Rising, of Hose Co., No. 3, had his left hand badly cut with a piece of tin. He was attended by Dr. M. M. Caldwell at Councilman B. C. Moore's drug store.

In leaving headquarters for its station at Sixth and Castle streets, following the three taps indicating the fire was out, the hose wagon of Hose Co., No. 2 ran over Fireman W. H. Kermon's foot, mashing several of his toes. He was taken to the hospital by Mr. W. A. French, Jr., and had the wounded members dressed.

Interment at Oakdale

The remains of Mrs. Frances B. Hayes, widow of the late Mr. Wm. H. Hayes, formerly of this city, whose death occurred in Norfolk Saturday afternoon, will be brought to this city today on the 12:25 o'clock Seaboard Air Line train, and will be met at the union station by a number of sorrowing relatives and friends. The body will be tenderly borne to Oakdale cemetery, where the interment will be made.

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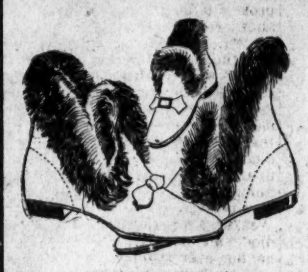

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BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETS

Committee from Sorosis Given Hearing With Reference to Request of Certain Improvements in City Schools.

The regular monthly meeting of the County Board of Education yesterday afternoon was featured by the consideration of two requests from the North Carolina Sorosis, one that the domestic science department be restored to the city graded schools and the other that some arrangements be made for a rigid medical examination of all school children. A committee from the club was present and the matters were thoroughly discussed for nearly two hours, with the result that the ladies not only enlisted the sympathy and interest of the board, but exacted a promise, in a form of resolutions, that the plans outlined are heartily approved by the board, which probably means that the requests will be granted in toto.

J. O. Carr, Esq., chairman presided, and in attendance were Messrs. Chas. E. Taylor, Jr., and J. G. L. Gieschen, the other members; Prof. Washington Catlett, county superintendent of public instruction; Mr. H. McL. Green, county treasurer; Mr. J. Allen Taylor, chairman of the joint city school committee, and Mr. Sam Bear, also a committeeman. The following is the committee of ladies from Sorosis: Mrs. Herbert McClammy, president of the club; Mrs. R. W. Hicks, Mrs. G. R. French, Mrs. J. M. Solky, Mrs. M. H. Shepherd, Mrs. M. L. Stover and Mrs. A. J. Howell.

North Carolina Sorosis has been a power in civic improvement in Wilmington during the past few years and the ladies of this organization have never yet made an effort to secure a thing that they did not succeed in their undertaking. They work quietly, but earnestly and determinedly, and get results. Their fight to have the domestic science department restored in the city schools and to have a medical examination of the school children has been carried on quietly, but persistently for some time and already success is in sight. The following paper was read to the Board of Education yesterday afternoon by a member of the committee and set forth the position of the club in the matter of domestic science in the city schools:

"The North Carolina Sorosis feels that she can assert with entire truth, and without fear of successful contradiction, that her labors have been given without stint to the general good of this community. At times we have worked hard, and if at any time the motive was a selfish one, we are not conscious of it. Our desire is to be practical in our aims and efforts.

"Seeing the daily need for more skilled home makers, as well as domestics, we thought to begin where all mankind would reap the benefit, and where no thinking and eating man could say nay; with the scientific training for home makers. Now, some of the lords of creation do oppose a woman's voting, with possibly some good arguments; but what man, rational, can oppose teaching a girl how to make a home clean, comfortable and sanitary, and to set a nourishing and economical meal for her tired husband on his return from a strenuous day of business. Now this, and simply this, was our object when we induced one of our school committees to put domestic science in one of our public schools a few years ago. We wished it for all, colored as well as white, but we could not reach the committees, hence we made ourselves satisfied with half a loaf, and put it in the one only. A committee from the club went before the committee of the Union school, who would listen, and offered to furnish a room they had with every necessary equipment, from gas ranges, tables and chairs, and a cupboard, to towels, mops and soap; to secure a woman properly equipped for the work, and to start the work off, if they would sustain and keep it going. The club kept her promise. We secured a graduate of the Boston Cooking School, who taught practical cooking, with the chemical results made clear to her class. She taught how to make good breads of various kinds; how to select good meats at the stall and to cook them with the nourishing qualities retained. The importance of cleanliness was made plain, and the easiest and best way to secure the same. To prove this fact, in a contest given here some time back, with prizes offered for the best bread and cake, the two first prizes were taken by girls trained at the Union cooking school. The superintendent of education and members of the school committee expressed their pride and pleasure in the work accomplished and the results attained. We shared the feeling, and confidently hoped to see it put into the Hemenway, too, having proven itself a success. All of a sudden, the powers that be decided to close the kitchen and do, we know not what, with the assets we had placed there, without consultation, or even notice given to the club, on the subject. We felt indignant; but we swallowed our indignation and tried to look pleasant when waiting on different members of the school committee, who assured us from time to time that they appreciated the value of the course and would at some future time restore domestic science to our school system; but preferred it should be in the High School, where the whole town would have access to the training; that a room for the purpose would be included in the new High School building, and then the kitchen re-opened.

"We enter now upon the second year of service from the new building. Where is our cooking school? The equipment given for that course, where is it, and for what purpose being used? We would like an answer to these questions given to the public, so vitally interested. The public is interested, for we are approached many times on the subject by citizens asking 'Where is the domestic science course, once begun? I want my daughter taught,' or else the same questions put in derision, when only the tone would alter the question.

"At our last business meeting this matter was introduced and a motion made calling for all these facts to be written out, laid before the Board of Education and given to the public. The motion was carried unanimously, and the club as a unit wished to enter a protest against this treatment; 'We know the old cry of no money. Please don't repeat it, friends, we don't ask for more money, but for a different use of some that is. Is it more important to teach our colored population to make baskets and sew, or to cook and wash? Is it more universally needed for our own daughters to know stenography or cooking? We invite discussion. The time has come for opinions voiced in words, and put into action. We have held our peace long enough. We enter our protest.'

Following the reading of the above there was a general discussion, at the conclusion of which the board adopted a resolution to the effect that "the board approves of the suggestion of the North Carolina Sorosis for re-opening of the domestic science school and promises to endeavor to provide funds for said purpose by the next Fall opening."

The board also adopted the following: education approves of and endorses the plan proposed by the committee from North Carolina Sorosis for a compulsory physical examination of children in public schools of the city, and that a committee from this board be named to co-operate with the North Carolina Sorosis, the city superintendent of health and superintendent of public schools with a view of passage of a necessary ordinance controlling the matter, or make other necessary arrangements."

Mr. J. G. L. Gieschen and Chairman Carr compose the committee from the Board of Education to confer with the other bodies mentioned above.

The resignation of Mr. James O. Bowden, committeeman in district No. 5, Wrightsville, was received, and was accepted with regrets. Mr. Bowden has recently removed to New York City and change of residence is the reason he tendered his resignation. Mr. Frank McGowan was appointed to fill out the unexpired term upon the recommendation of Mr. Bowden.

A resolution was adopted to the effect that the board is of the opinion that the sewing department of Peabody school should be self-sustaining and that the board will not approve of any further expenditures for maintenance of the department until some of the manufactured articles are turned in. This is a school for colored scholars in district No. 1.

The meeting adjourned shortly after 6 o'clock.

A. C. L. GOOD ROADS TRAIN

Will Visit Wilmington Tomorrow—Illustrated Lecture in Grand Theatre and Exhibits in Car at Station.

Arrangements have been completed for the visit to this city tomorrow afternoon of the Atlantic Coast Line good roads train, which is operated under the auspices of the United States Department of Agriculture, office of good roads. The train will arrive here at noon tomorrow from Burgaw, and from 2 to 3 o'clock an illustrated lecture will be given in the Grand Theatre by one of the government experts accompanying the train, to which the public is cordially invited, while throughout the afternoon the exhibit car, in which will be shown the latest improved roadway machinery, will be open to the inspection of the public at the union station.

Mr. E. N. Clark, agricultural and immigration agent of the Coast Line, with headquarters in this city, who has been with the train a portion of the time since it started on its trip South, November 25th, was here yesterday and completed the arrangements for the visit of the train tomorrow. He will leave this morning for Clinton, where he will again join the party. The train arrived at Clinton yesterday afternoon and the citizens of the town gave a smoker last night in honor of the visitors. From Clinton the train will go to Rose Hill, thence to Burgaw, arriving at the latter place at 4:20 o'clock this afternoon. Leaving Burgaw at noon tomorrow the train will arrive in Wilmington at 12:54 P. M. and remain in this city until Thursday morning, when it leaves for Jacksonville. From Jacksonville the train will go to Pollocksville, which will be reached shortly after noon, Thursday, and will leave Pollocksville at 3:26 for Newbern, where it will remain until Friday noon. The train will then go to Whiteville, arriving there at 9:30 A. M. Saturday and leaving at noon for Chadbourn, where a stop of 40 minutes will be made from 12:16 P. M. to 2:46 P. M., and will then go to Mount Tabor, arriving at 3:17 and leaving at 5:47 for Conway, S. C., where the party will spend Sunday. The train will spend some days in South Carolina and then proceed southward.

Great interest has been shown by the people at every point visited by the train and while New Hanover county has already begun the work of building good roads, yet it is likely that the interest will be none the less keen in this city. It is expected that the lecture will be attended by several hundred and that streams of people will visit the exhibit car at the union station during the afternoon. As an indication of the interest that has been shown by the people of Virginia and North Carolina in the good roads train it may be stated that in the two weeks that the train has been out over 4,000 people have heard the lectures given by the experts and inspected the modern roadway machinery.

The following received last night is evidence of the interest shown at Mount Olive:

"Mount Olive, N. C., Dec. 11.—The A. C. L. good roads train was visited at Mount Olive by a large number of representative citizens of Mount Olive and the southern section of Wayne county. The lecture was attended by a large crowd. Mr. L. E. Boykin, the United States good roads expert, was introduced with appropriate remarks by Mr. Fred Mentz, editor of the Mount Olive Tribune. A second lecture was given for the benefit of the graded school children, who attended in a body. This section is alive to the importance of good roads and from the interest displayed at the meeting today, the people of this section will continue the good work with renewed interest.

Havana, Dec. 11.—Baseball: New York Nationals 10; Havana 2.

BRUTAL MURDER SUNOAY EVE

Mr. W. R. Dowdy, An Aged Man, Killed With Axe—His Son Under Arrest, Charged ith Horrible Crime

Coming as a climax to the wave of crime which is sweeping over the city, W. R. Dowdy, an aged and respected citizen, was waylaid and brutally murdered Sunday evening about 8:15 on the old Wilmington Seacoast railway track, about 50 yards east of where it crosses Macomper's ditch, beyond the intersection of 14th and Ann streets, and the after-climax came yesterday when his son, Chas. F. Dowdy, was arrested on a warrant charging him with the crime.

Walking along the dark track, accompanied by his little grandson, Palmer Dowdy, son of the man charged with the murder, Mr. Dowdy was knocked down by a blow from the butt of a heavy axe and as he lay prostrate his skull was crushed with another blow. The child fled screaming "murder" at the top of his voice, and the murderer also fled, for when the officers reached the scene a short time afterwards they found only the dying man and the tell-tale axe beside him. The little boy stated that the murderer was a negro, short and stockily built, but beyond that he was unable to give any description. The ambulance was summoned and Mr. Dowdy was rushed to the James Walker Memorial Hospital, where he died half an hour afterwards, without having ever regained consciousness.

Five hours afterwards a pair of blood hounds, brought to the city from Whiteville, were taken to the scene, but in the meantime, many people had walked around the scene of the crime and the dogs could do nothing in the way of trailing the murderer.

At first it was believed that the axe found beside the prostrate body was the only clue to the murder, but early yesterday morning Sheriff S. P. Cowan and Deputy A. L. Kelly, searching in the neighborhood in company with a number of county officers, found a second blood-stained axe which, it is said, will figure in the case as importance evidence.

On request of Assistant City Attorney Geo. L. Peschau and County Attorney Marsden Bellamy, prosecuting for the State, the coroner's inquest, which was to have been held yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock, was postponed until Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock, it is presumed to give the State a chance to work up the case further.

Charles F. Dowdy's arrest came as an overwhelming surprise to the public. It followed the finding of the second axe, which the officers say has been identified as belonging to him. The warrant which he was arrested under was issued by Justice George Harriss on information and belief of Deputy Sheriff Melvin Horne and Deputy Horne and Constable Savage made the arrest. Dowdy was committed to jail to await preliminary hearing before Justice Harriss. The date has not yet been set.

Many wild rumors were in circulation yesterday and the murder and the arrest of the son were topics of general conversation on the streets.

The crime was one of such a sickening brutal nature that the public was deeply shocked and following so closely on the heels of the many burglaries, robberies and storebreakings that have occurred during the last few weeks, it assumed a still greater interest.

Mr. Dowdy and his little grandson were on the way to the city from the old man's oyster roast stand at 17th and Castle streets, and it was about 8:15 when they reached the dark and secluded spot where the crime was committed. Mr. Dowdy was carrying a lantern. The boy heard a foot strike the rail behind them and turned to see the sinister figure of a man with an axe drawn as if to strike his grandfather. He screamed and fled and as he did so heard the sickening thud as the butt of the weapon struck the old man's head. The child saw only one man, and he stated to the officers that this was a negro, dressed in a striped suit of clothes. Mr. Dowdy dropped his lantern when he fell and it was extinguished, leaving the place in total darkness.

The alarm spread quickly and police headquarters was notified. The ambulance was also summoned, but it was probably half an hour after the man was struck hen it reached the scene. The first on the scene found the old man lying prostrate on the track, and the grass around was stained with his blood. Beside him lay the log-handled much-used axe. The back of Mr. Dowdy's head was almost crushed in by the first blow and apparently another was struck after he fell, for his forehead was also fearfully crushed and bruised.

The dying man was placed in the ambulance and carried to the hospital, while the police started to work on the apparently hopeless task of bringing the criminal to book. Council B. C. Moore, in charge of the Department of Public Safety, and Chief of Police John J. Fowler telegraphed to Chief of Police D. M. Thompson, of Whiteville, for a pair of blood hunds and that gentleman, though he had sold the dogs to Mr. G. W. Thompson the day before, immediately got busy. The Atlantic Coast Line train was held about 15 minutes and Mr. G. W. Thompson and his son boarded it with his dogs and came on to Wilmington. They reached here shortly before 1 o'clock and immediately proceeded to the scene of the crime, accompanied by Councilman Moore, Chief Fowler, a number of mounted officers and citizens. A vigilant search was made and the dogs were taken all over the immediate vicinity of the crime, but nothing could be done, as many people had walked through the fields and surrounding section. Another attempt was made yesterday morning and again yesterday afternoon but the result was the same, and the dogs could not pick up the trail.

In the meantime Sheriff Cowan and his officers got busy and at an early hour the second axe was found in the bushes about 300 yards east of where the crime was committed by the Sheriff and Deputy Kelly. Shortly after this the son, Chas. F. Dowdy, was arrested.

The search for further evidence continued throughout the day. During the afternoon the county officers took one of Chas. F. Dowdy's shoes to the scene of the crime and tried the experiment of fitting it in a track which they believed to have been made by the murderer. It is rumored that the shoe did not fit the track, but when questioned the officers stated that they did not care to discuss the matter at this time.

Mr. Dowdy's body was turned over to the undertaking establishment of Mr. W. E. Yopp to be prepared for burial. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the residence of Chas. F. Dowdy, the son under arrest, at No. 206 South Front street. Mr. Dowdy had been making his home with the son for some time. The murdered man is survived by his wife, two sons, Chas. F. and D. W. Dowdy, and two grandchildren. The funeral will be attended by Cape Fear Camp No. 254, United Confederate Veterans, in a body. They will meet at the house at 2:30.

A veteran of the War Between the States and a resident of the city for a number of years, Mr. Dowdy was well-known and a respected citizen. He was born in Pamlico county and was in the 73rd year of his age.

It is rumored that more sensations will be brought to light in connection with the murder within the next few days.

It was talked on the streets yesterday afternoon that some one had been quoted as saying that young Dowdy could not have committed the crime as he was at church with him from 7 o'clock until the service closed about 9 o'clock. Whether or not there is any truth in the rumor, was not learned last night.

Real Estate Transfers

Deeds were filed for record yesterday as follows: Ella V. Donnolley to F. W. Kuhl and wife, for $10 and other considerations, lot on Sixth, 165 feet north of Church street, 33x220 feet in size; J. E. Norwood and others to J. Irving Bear, for $100 and other considerations, lot on Market, 120 feet east of 13th street, 30x150 feet in size; also lot on Market, 60 feet west of 13th, 30x150 feet in size; Thos. J. Gore and wife to C. C. Chadbourn, for $10 and other considerations, lot on Meares, 192 feet east of Front street, 33x130 feet in size.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY CHARGED

Tom MacRae, Colored, Bound Over to Superior Court—Large Monday Morning Docket in Recorder's Court

Tom MacRae, colored, stood out as the bright and particular star among the usual large Monday morning array of aspirants for honors in the Recorder's court yesterday, being charged with highway robbery and assault with serious injury to "Boise" James, another negro. Probable cause being found, he was committed to jail in default of $300 bond, to await trial in the Superior Court.

The trouble occurred Sunday night and James, who is a stranger in the city, alleges that MacRae and a negro woman named Lillie Felder held him up, robbed him and beat him seriously. He testified that MacRae, with whom he had had a slight trouble earlier in the evening, had approached him on North Tenth street and demanded his money, throwing a revolver in his face. Upon his refusal to give up the money, the negro alleges that MacRae struck him under the chin with his fist and then hit him over the head with a heavy knife, inflicting a serious wound. Meanwhile, according to his statements, the Felder woman came up and also struck him a number of times over the head. He said the woman had a pair of shoes under her arm and that she threw these on the ground and told MacRae to kill him, as he had stolen her shoes.

Following the alleged assault and robbery, James had a warrant issued for the arrest of MacRae. He told the officers a story at the police station that impressed them as being truthful and described the sack of money that was taken from him. When the negro was arrested the sack was in his possession, but James said that the paper money, which it had contained when taken from him, had been replaced with silver, several dollars short of the amount taken from him.

Both MacRae and the other woman denied James' charges, but the evidence against him was deemed sufficient by the Recorder to justify him in binding the defendant over to the Superior Court. A case charging the woman with assault and battery upon James was continued pending the outcome of the other case. She was recognized for her appearance.

Charles Roundell, a soldier from Fort Caswell, was to be tried on a charge of larceny, but an officer from the fort was present and made the request that the defendant be turned over to the military authorities to be dealt with. The request was granted and the case was stricken off the docket.

John Williams, colored, was tried an assault upon a female. He was found guilty and fined $20 and the costs. Joe Farrow, colored, was fined $25 and the costs for carrying a concealed weapon. James Register and Kid Jones were tried on charges of disorderly conduct. Register was found not guilty and Jones was fined $5 and the costs. John Jones, also charged with disorderly conduct, forfeited his bond. W. E. Register was fined $5 and costs for disorderly conduct.

James E. Bean drew a fine of $15 and costs for resisting an officer and Annie Riddle contributed $5 and the costs for disorderly conduct. L. Huggins fared likewise on a similar charge, as did Mary Mock. J. T. Capps was found not guilty on a charge of disorderly conduct. A nol pros was taken in a similar case against Nick Enlaw.

An unusually large number of drunks faced the court, some getting the usual $5 and costs, some more than this and several escaping on the payment of costs. Several cases were continued.

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TRUSTEES MAY MEET TODAY.

Board Will Pass Upon Matter of Sale of Y. M. C. A. Building.

It was stated at the office of the Y. M. C. A. yesterday that probably the board of trustees of the association will be called in special session this afternoon for the purpose of ratifying or disapproving the sale of the association building to Mr. Joseph J. Loughlin and associates as made by the board of directors in special session Saturday evening and as announced in Sunday's paper. Dr. Joseph Akerman, president of the association, is chairman of the board of trustees as well as the board of directors. There are six other members of the board of trustees as follows: Messrs. Wm. E. Springer, W. M. Cumming, B. F. Hall, Clayton Giles, J. V. Grainger, C. W. Worth. The board of trustees was invited to meet with the board of directors Saturday afternoon, when the proposition of Mr. Loughlin was considered by the latter, but there was not a quorum present of the board of trustees.

The board of directors agreed to sell the property to Mr. Loughlin for $60,000, subject, however, to the approval of the board of trustees, should it be necessary on account of legal requirements. Mr. Loughlin was notified in writing Saturday night that the board of trustees had accepted his offer. The property fronts 66 feet on Front street, runs back 168 feet and is 66 feet on Nutt street.

Encouraging to Robbers

The following editorial squib from yesterday's Charlotte Observer is of local interest:

Wilmington has been greatly infested with robbers, the police department reporting from six to eight each night. The officers seem to be unable to cope with the situation and are said to advocate the employment of a number of bloodhounds to aid them in running down the culprits. The purchase of bloodhounds will no doubt be encouraging news to the robbers.—Charlotte Observer.

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The latest shapes and shades. The right styles and qualities, at the right prices, $1.50 to $15.00.

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An immense line of Hosiery in all the shades one can imagine, priced 25c. to $2.00 a pair.

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DRESS GOODS.

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Brussels, Velvet and Axminster Art Squares, $10.00 to $35.00; these are useful presents.

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Commence right away to do your Christmas trading; come forenoons, if you can; the sooner you come the better the assortments will be and then you won't have to hurry. Make selections now; we'll deliver when you want us to. We are showing, by far, the finest collection of desirable gifts for everybody ever shown here.

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The Company is engaged in an industry that has shown truly wonderful returns in the North, West and other parts of the country.

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The strongest institutions in America have shown their faith nda confidence in the ability and integrity of the Fidelity Company in the most practical way possible—By making the Fidelity Investment and Development Company their **EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATIVES** in the most profitable territory in the Southern Atlantic States.

Signed Contracts, that the Fidelity Company holds, with these concerns, should earn for the Company at least 10 per cent. per annum, exclusive of their other sources of income.

The Capitalization of the Company while adequate for its needs, owing to the rational lines of sound economy on which the enterprise is conducted, is, nevertheless, very conservative.

On account of these **REASONS** and the further fact that the net earnings of the organization are growing steadily and continuously from month to month—the stock of the Fidelity Investment & Development Co. is today at a **PREMIUM OF 50 PER CENT.**

At that price it is being subscribed for liberally by the most conservative investing interests in the State.

This stock was recently authorized for sale by the Board of Directors of the Company solely in order to more quickly extend the scope of the organization's influence and by increasing the volume of its business add still further to its profits.

A limited amount of this stock the Fidelity Company hereby offers for public subscription at $15.00 per share (par value $10).

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Mr. R. J. Maclellan, Secretary, Provident Life & Accident Insurance Co., Chattanooga, Tenn.

SOCIAL & PERSONAL

Mrs. F. A. Fetter and children returned yesterday from a visit to relatives at Littleton, N. C.

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Mrs. Charles Niles, of Atlantic City, arrived in the city yesterday morning to attend the burial of her grandmother, Mrs. Wm. H. Hayes, today. Mrs. Niles is the guest of her sister, Mrs. R. W. Farmer.

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The announcement has been made of the engagement of Miss Lucy Bridgers, daughter of Mrs. Preston L. Bridgers, to Dr. R. Harllee Belamy. The wedding will take place on the 28th of December, and will be very quiet.

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The Ladies' Aid Society of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church will hold a sale of fancy work and candy at the manse beginning this morning at 11 o'clock. Many articles suitable for Christmas gifts will be placed on sale and the public is cordially invited to call and inspect them.

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The annual Christmas Sale of St. John's Parish Guild will be held this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock at the Parish House, Third and Red Cross streets. A great variety of articles suitable for Christmas gifts will be on sale at moderate prices and the public is cordially invited to call and fill in their gift list from the display.

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The Ladies' Foreign Missionary Society of the First Presbyterian Church will hold its regular monthly meeting this afternoon at 4 o'clock in the church parlors. Dr. George C. Worth will make an address on the proposed annex to the new Kiang Yin, China, hospital. All the ladies of the congregation are cordially invited to be present.

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The Young People's Missionary Society of Grace Methodist Church will have a sale of fancy work Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Junior room of the church. One feature of the entertainment will be the Christmas tree for children. Refreshments will be served and all kinds of fancy work suitable for Christmas gifts will be on sale. Friends and the public generally are cordially invited to be present.

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FOREIGN MISSION JUBILEE HELD SUNDAY AFTERNOON

The Foreign Missionary Societies of the various churches throughout the city held a jubilee meeting at St. James' Episcopal church, corner Third and Market streets, Sunday afternoon at 4:30, when the building was well filled with members of the different organizations. Foreign mission work was discussed principally and it is believed that the meeting will result in much good.

Rev. Dr. W. H. Milton made the opening remarks and then Mrs. N. N. Davis, a prominent foreign missionary worker, took charge and presided. Mrs. M. H. Shepherd gave a Scriptural reading and she was followed by Mrs. Geo. C. Worth, who spoke on mission work in China. Mrs. J. H. Foster, wife of Rev. Dr. J. H. Foster, pastor of the First Baptist church, spoke on the topic, "The Moslem World," and Miss Neely, of Portsmouth, Va., a returned missionary from Japan, gave a most interesting talk based upon her personal work and observations among the people of the Flowery Kingdom. The talks were all of an interesting nature and were heard with much interest and pleasure by the ladies.

An offering for foreign mission work was taken at the close of the meeting.

FUNERAL OF MRS. TURLINGTON.

Services Held Yesterday Morning from Late Residence.

The funeral of Mrs. Grace D. Turlington, the widow of the late Mr. W. H. Turlington, whose death occurred late Saturday night, was held yesterday morning at 11:30 o'clock from the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Little, No. 108 South Third street, Rev. Dr. J. M. Wells, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, conducting the services, assisted by Rev. Dr. A. D. McClure, pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. The service was attended by a large number of sorrowing friends.

Interment was made in Oakdale cemetery, where the body was tenderly borne, following the services at the house. The grave was covered by a profusion of beautiful floral designs sent by friends in Wilmington and elsewhere.

The honorary pallbearers were Messrs. R. A. Brand and Geo. R. French while Messrs. A. J. Howell, S. M. Boatwright, W. M. Cumming, T. R. Post, D. C. Love and R. M. Shepherd were the active.

Council Meeting Today

It was said yesterday that at the regular meeting of the City Council this afternoon a 4 o'clock a delegation of Greek confectioners and fruit dealers will probably appear before the body and ask that the Sunday selling ordinance be not enforced for some time yet. It is said that the new law, which is effective after December 15th, will seriously interfere with news stands, but whether any protest will come from that quarter was not learned yesterday. The ordinance, as it now stands, prohibits book stores from opening on Sunday, even to sell papers during the hours allowed news stands.

Saved His Wife's Life.

"My wife would have been in her grave today," writes O. H. Brown, of Muscadine, Ala., "if it had not been for Dr. King's New Discovery. She was down in her bed, not able to get up without help. She had a severe bronchial trouble and a dreadful cough. I got her a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery, and she soon began to mend, and was well in a short time." Infallible for coughs and colds, it's the most reliable remedy on earth for desperate lung trouble, hemorrhages, lagrippe, asthma, hay fever, croup and whooping cough. 50c, $1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by R. R. Bellamy.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. R. W. Pigford is back in the city after attending the National Rivers and Harbors Congress in Washington last week. Mr. Pigford also spent several days in New York City.

—Many friends will regret to learn that Mr. J. W. Monroe is seriously ill at his home, No. 316 North Second street. He celebrated his 86th birthday last Friday and owing to his age very little hope is entertained for his recovery.

—Among the arrivals at the Southern Hotel yesterday were: T. F. Boyd and W. T. Burkhead, Hamlet; Mrs. S. L. Bradshaw and Mrs. D. D. Bradshaw, Rose Hill; Mrs. J. L. Baker, Norfolk; Mrs. C. L. Cotton, Southport; D. B. Sutton, Esq., and J. A. Sutton, Elizabethtown; C. W. Lyon and L. U. Smith, Kelly; D. J. Corbett and G. W. Bonham, Currie.

MR. KARL LEHMANN COMING.

Interstate Field Secretary for Christian Endeavor to Visit Here.

Mr. Karl Lehmann, interstate field secretary for the United States and Canada, of the Christian Endeavor, will spend next Sunday in this city, and will deliver several addresses, which will be of much interest not only to the members of the local Christian Endeavor, but also to all other church societies and organizations.

Owing to the large territory which he has to cover it is almost impossible for Mr. Lehmann to stay long at any one place, and, in fact, it is hard for him to fill all the engagements for which he has requests, but as he is spending this month working in North Carolina, it was possible for the local Christian Endeavor to get him for a brief stay here. He is a worker of known ability, a finished and talented speaker, with a charm of delivery and manner which holds his audience from start to finish, and he will be heard here with much interest.

He will come to Wilmington Saturday, accompanied by the president of the State League, Rev. R. E. Steele, pastor of the Presbyterian church, of Lumberton. Mr. Lehmann will speak at the morning service at St. Andrew's Presbyterian church, under the auspices of the Christian Endeavor of that congregation, which holds the permanent banner for three years in the State Union. At 7 P. M. he will speak at a meeting of the society of the Christian church on Dock street, and at 7:30 at a joint meeting of all the Christian Endeavor societies of Wilmington and vicinity, in the First Presbyterian church.

The public is cordially invited to attend this meeting, and especially all the young people's societies of Wilmington and vicinity.

"The Nation's Pride."

"The Panama Canal in 1911", great achievement in motion pictures, showing work as it is progressing on big ditch—Grand Theatre today. **

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Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

MR. F. H. STEDMAN HERE.

Splendid Progress of His Fayetteville Bank.

Mr. Frank H. Stedman, formerly of Wilmington and for many years the popular sheriff of New Hanover county, arrived in the city yesterday on business. He has a host of Wilmington friends who always have for him a most cordial greeting.

Mr. Stedman several years ago organized and is now president of the Cumberland Savings & Trust Company, of Fayetteville, and Wilmingtonians will be especially interested in learning of its success and fine prospects. The Fayetteville Observer a few days ago gave this gratifying account of the bank:

"The Cumberland Savings & Trust Company, one of Fayetteville's strongest and most popular financial institutions, is moving today from the old quarters into its new and elegant structure on Hay street on the site where stood the building recently occupied as the postoffice.

"The exterior of this new bank is striking and imposing and is second to no building in the city. The interior is very fine and handsome—with tarazza flooring and beautiful white marble counters, surmounted by handsome railing. The vault, which is a large one, constructed of reinforced concrete, is absolutely burglar and fire proof, while within are the very latest of screw-door safes. A handsome and roomy directors' room is in the rear. The building has every convenience in the way of running water, lavatories, etc., is steam-heated and splendidly lighted both by electricty and gas and by the great pitch of the rooms and the beautiful plate glass windows and doors.

"Altogether, the banking house of the Cumberland Savings & Trust Company of Fayetteville is not only handsome in its finishing, but is built with an eye single to the quick and sure dispatch of the banking business in all of its ramifications.

"And in addition to the fine new building, the Cumberland Savings & Trust Company can boast of that which is of far more importance than handsome fixtures, strong vaults and modern conveniences. It is managed by capable, trustworthy and experienced officials. Its business is conducted on conservative lines, but still with enterprise, energy and foresight, and its honored president and board of directors always study the interests of its depositors."

DIED.

HAYES—Entered into rest on the afternoon of December 9th, in Norfolk, Virginia, FRENCES BEST, relict of the late Wm. H. Hayes, of Oxford, Maryland, and mother of Mrs. G. W. Doyle, formerly of Wilmington, N. C.

Interment in Oakdale cemetery Tuesday on arrival of S. A. L. train 12:25; carriages will meet train. Friends are invited to attend. **

Malaria Makes Pale Sickly Children.
The Old Standard GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC, drives out malaria and builds up the system. For grown people and children. 50c.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The police blotter shows 31 arrests for that period of time between Saturday noon and yesterday at 3 P. M.

—It has been reported to the police that Clarence Kitchin cut Henry Bullock in Foster's alley Saturday night, but the details were not given. It is hardly believed that the affair resulted seriously.

—The case against Walter Landen, a young white man charged with a nameless crime, which was to have been tried before Justice Harriss yesterday afternoon, was continued until Thursday, Dec. 14, at 3 o'clock. The defendant was committed back to jail in default of $500 bond.

—"Bad" Matthews, a white brakeman, was injured at the Coast Line yards last night when he was knocked from the engine on which he was riding by coming in contact with the side of a freight car. He was carried to the James Walker Memorial Hospital in the ambulance and received treatment. It was stated at the hospital that his injuries were not of a serious nature.

—Early yesterday morning an attempt was made to enter the drug store of Mr. H. L. Fentress, No. 621 North Fourth street, but the intruder was frightened away by persons living over the store. Another robbery or store-breaking, although no official report was made of it to the police station, occurred at Mr. J. W. Duls' place, 114 South Front street, late Saturday night or Sunday morning.

TWO FIRST SERMONS.

Rev. J. A. Sullivan Preached Masterful Discourses on Sunday.

Rev. J. A. Sullivan, the new pastor of Brooklyn Baptist Church, preached his first sermon to his new congregation Sunday and the church was crowded morning and evening. Mr. Sullivan made a fine impression upon his new charge and his sermons were listened to with much pleasure and interest.

The discourses were of a splendid nature and were delivered with a pleasing manner and address. Mr. Sullivan is a minister of culture and a most kindly and pleasing gentleman. He came highly recommended to the church here and his pastoral relations with the Brooklyn Baptist church will doubtless be of the most useful. He and his family are already settled in the church parsonage and are receiving calls from the members of the congregation.

$100 Reward, $100
The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.
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Sold by all Druggists, 75c.
Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Drink the Juice of Oranges—The Pulp Has No Food Value

The proper way to eat an orange is to drink the juice. The rind and pulp are valueless as food—it's the juice you buy. Florida oranges are the juiciest, as well as the sweetest and most highly flavored, and those shipped by the Florida Citrus Exchange are the juiciest, the sweetest and the most highly flavored that are produced in the state. Get the best that is produced in Florida by securing a box of oranges or grapefruit shipped by the Florida Citrus Exchange — a coöperative organization operating under the laws of the state, to protect consumers from unripe, immature, inferior fruit.

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You can't get a better insurance policy against illness than Florida Citrus Fruits. The ordinary insurance policy costs a lot, and you can't eat it. Florida Citrus Fruit by the box (with the brand of the Exchange on it) costs less—and keeps you well. Tell your dealer you want Florida fruit, in the original boxes, bearing the Exchange brand. Every box contains a booklet telling how to serve and use citrus fruits; also coupon good for half the price of silverware, cut-glass, etc. Booklet without coupon for four cents in stamps by the Florida Citrus Exchange, Tampa, Florida.

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Financial and Commercial

COTTON MARKET VERY QUIET

Opening Was Steady—Fell Under Heavy Selling—Government Report Affected Market—Receipts and Futures.

New York, Dec. 11.—The government's estimate of the cotton crop, placing the season's yield at 18,885,000 bales of 500 pounds gross, exclusive of linters, appeared to be very nearly in line with expectations in the local market, and while trading was extremely active, both before and after the publication of the report there was no very important change in prices. The close was steady, but a net decline of 7@11 points, and at practically the lowest level of the day.

The market opened steady at a decline of 2 points to an advance of 1 point, and while the cables were better than due, worked gradually lower during the morning and early afternoon under heavy selling by local or Southern bears, and scattering liquidation. There was a good demand on a scale down in the way of covering by smaller shorts, and some trade buying, but before the government report was issued, active months had sold 7 to 10 points under the closing figures of last night, with all positions except July making net low records for the season. Immediately following the government figures, which were published promptly at 2 o'clock, the market rallied 10 or 12 points from the lowest on covering and buying by foreign houses, but the demand was readily supplied on the advance, and the market later turned easier again, with January cotton selling at 8.53; March at 8.62, and May at 8.72, or 9 to 11 points under the closing figures of Saturday just before the close. The South was said to be a seller here during the day, and the market's chief support again seemed to come from the covering of shorts and the buying from abroad.

The government's estimate was probably a shade under some of the more radically bearish forecasts based on the recent ginning report, but an average of 31 individual estimates made recently by experts or trade authorities placed the commercial crop at 15,070,000 bales, whereas today's official figures were considered as pointing to a growth for the season of not less than 15,300,000 bales, with allowances for linters, while there also seemed a disposition here to consider the government likely to underestimate in large crop years.

Receipts today, 70,309 bales, against 81,313 last week, and 77,086 last year. Today's receipts at New Orleans, 11,403, against 14,188 last year. At Galveston, 20,104, against 15,350 last year, and at Houston, 26,754, against 26,841 last year.

Spot closed quiet. Middling uplands, 9.20; do. gulf, 9.45; sales, 4,100 bales.

Futures closed steady.

Month:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Jan	8.63	8.70	8.53	8.55
Feb	8.65	8.65	8.57	
March	8.72	8.79	8.60	8.64
April	8.75	8.75	8.75	8.08
May	8.82	8.88	8.71	8.74
June	8.85			8.78
July	8.92	8.99	8.82	8.83
Aug	8.96	8.92	8.88	8.89
Sept	9.01	9.01	8.97	8.94
Oct	9.05	9.08	8.98	8.99
Nov				9.04
Dec	8.91	8.95	8.82	8.84

THE PORT MOVEMENT.

Galveston—Quiet, 9¼; net receipts, 20,104; gross receipts, 20,104; sales, 1,703; stock, 412,938; continent, 26,644; coastwise, 6,929.

New Orleans—Easy, 9¼; net receipts, 11,403; gross receipts, 11,403; sales, 2,300; stock, 412,938; continent, 26,644; coastwise, 6,929.

New Orleans—Easy, 9¼; net receipts, 11,403; gross receipts, 11,403; sales, 2,300; stock, 252,640.

Mobile—Net receipts, 2,318; gross receipts, 2,318; stock, 82,833; coastwise, 52.

Savannah—Quiet and steady, 8¾; net receipts, 13,272; gross receipts, 13,318; sales, 4,282; stock, 279,046; continent, 9,972; coastwise, 4,017.

Charleston—Quiet, 8¾; net receipts, 3,245; gross receipts, 3,245; stock, 68,218.

Wilmington—Quiet, 8¾; net receipts, 4,120; gross receipts, 4,120; stock, 24,322.

Norfolk—Quiet, 8⅞; net receipts, 7,408; gross receipts, 7,408; sales, 1,393; stock, 64,791; coastwise, 5,054.

Baltimore—Nominal, 9¼; gross receipts, 2,364; stock, 6,215.

New York—Quiet, 9.20; gross receipts, 12,979; sales, 4,100; stock, 120,205; Great Britain, 1,300; continent, 3,197; coastwise, 4,386.

Boston—Quiet, 9.20; net receipts, 191; gross receipts, 1,627; stock, 14,069.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 9.45; gross receipts, 50; stock, 8,543.

Brunswick—Stock, 8,676.

Gulfport—Stock, 11,413.

Texas City—Net receipts, 2,339; gross receipts, 2,339; stock, 81,469; Great Britain, 8,629.

Jacksonville—Net receipts, 459; gross receipts, 459; coastwise, 459.

Port Townsend—Net receipts, 5,450; gross receipts, 5,450; Japan, 5,450.

Total today at all ports—Net, 130,251; Great Britain, 10,179; continent, 72,297; Japan, 5,450.

Total since Sept. 1, at all ports—Net, 5,992,190; Great Britain, 1,790,989; France, 507,313; continent, 1,727,006; Japan, 97,174; Mexico, 2,350.

INTERIOR MOVEMENT.

Houston—Easy, 9; net receipts, 26,754; gross receipts, 26,754; shipments, 24,462; sales, 2,968; stock, 170,272.

Augusta—Steady, 9; net receipts, 3,670; gross receipts, 4,532; shipments, 2,286; sales, 2,770; stock, 79,115.

Memphis—Steady, 9; net receipts, 7,300; gross receipts, 11,850; shipments, 8,561; sales, 2,000; stock, 185,491.

St. Louis—Quiet, 9¾; net receipts, 1,227; gross receipts, 4,016; shipmetns, 3,989; sales, 60; stock, 25,749.

Cincinnati—Quiet: net receipts, 2,932; gross receipts, 2,932; shipments, 4,965; stock, 9,616.

Little Rock—Steady, 8⅞; net receipts, 2,775; gross receipts, 2,715; shipments, 2,298; stock, 42,578.

Louisville—Firm, 9¾.

Total today—Net receipts, 44,508; gross receipts, 52,808; shipments, 46,561; sales, 7,798; stock, 512,821.

CHICAGO GRAIN.

Chicago, Dec. 11.—Big receipts northwest, both sides of the international line, exerted pressure today on the market for wheat. Largely as a result, the close was ⅝ to ¾c. under Saturday night. Corn showed a net loss of ⅝ to ⅞@⅞, and oats a decline of ¼ to ¾. At the end of the day, hog products were down 5 to 10@12½.

Wheat—No. 2, red, 94@96; No. 3, red, 92@94; No. 2, hard, 95@1.01; No. 3, hard, 94@97; No. 1, northern, 1.05@1.07; No. 2, northern, 1.02@1.05; No. 3, northern, 1.01@1.04; No. 2, spring, 98@1.03; No. 3, spring, 98@1.03; No. 4, spring, 85@1.02; velvet chaff, 90@1.03; durum, 95@1.04.

Corn—No. 2, old, 69; No. 3, 59¼; No. 3, white, 58⅝@59½; No. 3, yellow, 59@59½; No. 3, yellow, old, 70; No. 4, old, 62; No. 4, 55@56; No. 4, white, 55@56½; No. 4, yellow, 55@57.

Oats—No. 2, white, 48@48⅜; No. 3, white, 36½@47⅝; No. 4, white, 46@47¾; standard, 47¾@48½.

Wheat:	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Dec	93	93	92⅜	92½
May	97⅜	97⅜	96⅜	97
July	93⅝	93⅝	93⅜	93⅝
Corn:				
Dec	61¼	61⅞	61¼	61⅞
May	62½	63	62½	62⅞
July	62⅜	63	62½	63
Oats:				
Dec	46¼	46½	46	46½
May	48⅜	48⅝	48¼	48⅝
July	45	45⅜	44⅞	45¼
Mess Pork, per barrel:				
Jan	15.32½	15.32½	15.25	15.30
May	15.80	15.80	15.67½	15.75
July	15.95	15.95	15.90	15.90
Lard, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	8.90	8.02½	8.90	8|90
May	9.15	9.15	9.12½	9.12½
July	9.27½	9.27½	9.22½	9.22½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.:				
Jan	8.05	8.07½	8.05	8.05
May	8.40	8.40	8.35	8.35
July	8.40	8.40	8.35	8.35

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Str. Lisbon, Wilson, Elizabethtown, J. W. Brooks.

Str. Appenine (Br.), 2,306 tons, Evans, Portland, Me., Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Str. Oceana, 3,155 tons, Packer, Alexander Sprunt & Son. (Returned on account of fire, after one day out).

Str. Navahoe, 1,278 tons, Packer, New York, H. G. Smallbones.

Cleared.

Str. Lisbon, Wilson, Elizabethtown, J. W. Brooks.

Str. Glenwood (Br.), 1,250 tons, Leisk, Port Glasgow, Scot., Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Exports—Foreign.

Port Glasgow—Br. str. Glenwood, cargo gum veneering and rosin; cargo by Acme Tea Chest Co.; vessel by Alexander Sprunt & Son.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port at Wilmington, North Carolina.

Steamers.

Appenine (Br.), 2,306 tons, Evans, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Lovland (Nor.), 1,463 tons, Terjesen, Heide & Co.

Gleumay (Br.), 1,575 tons, Richards, Heide & Co.

Burbo Bank (Br.), 1,818 tons, Jamison, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Pentwyn (Br.), 2,165 tons, Motyer, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Schooners.

Edward R. Baird, Jr., 263 tons, Calhoun, C. D. Mafflitt.

John W. Hall, 329 tons, Bennett, J. S. Williams.

Augustus Welt, 1,111 tons, Sproul, C. D. Mafflitt.

Granville R. Bacon, 339 tons, Bennett, C. D. Mafflitt.

White Wings, 624 tons, Coombs, C. D. Mafflitt.

Augustus H. Babcock, 1,229 tons, Quinlin, C. D. Mafflitt.

Herbert May, 321 tons, Black, C. D. Mafflitt.

Stephen G. Loud, 40 tons, Hart, C. D. Mafflitt; in distress.

Barger.

Potomac, 773 tons, Fisher, C. D. Mafflitt & Co.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Cotton and Naval Stores at Port of Wilmington.

Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 11, 1911.

Atlantic Coast Line—3,244 bales cotton; 7 casks spirits turpentine; 29 barrels rosin; 6 barrels tar; 41 barrels crude turpentine.

Seaboard Air Line—876 bales cotton.

Str. Whitlock—1 cask spirits turpentine; 19 barrels rosin.

Total—4,120 bales cotton; 8 casks crude turpentine; 48 barrels rosin; 6 barrels tar; 41 barrels crude turpentine.

Total last year—530 bales cotton; 26 casks spirits turpentine; 202 barrels rosin; 126 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

NEW YORK PRODUCE.

New York, Dec. 11. — Flour was barely steady, with demand quiet.

Rye Flour—Steady.

Buckwheat Flour—Quiet.

Corn Meal—Steady.

Rye—Quiet.

Barley—Steady.

Wheat—Spot, easy; No. 2, red, 94½, elevator, export basis, and 95⅝ f.o.b. afloat. Options closed ½ to ⅝ net lower. December, 95⅝. May, 1.01⅝.

Corn—Spot, steady; export, new, 78½, f.o.b. afloat. Options, nominal.

Oats—Spot, steady. Options, nominal.

Pork—Steady.

Beef—Firm.

Lard—Easy.

Tallow—Quiet.

Petroleum—Steady.

Wool—Quiet.

Molasses—Steady.

Rice—Firm.

Sugar—Raw, steady; refined, quiet.

Coffee—Futures closed steady, unchanged to 5 points higher. Spot, quiet; Rio, No. 7, 14½; Santos, No. 4, 15¾. mild, quiet; Cordova, 16½@18½, nominal.

Butter—Unsettled.

Cheese—Firm.

Eggs—Unsettled.

Potatoes—Weak. Bermuda, per barrel, 4.00@6.00; Southern, late crop, 2.25@2.75; Maine, 2.25@2.90; Long Island, per barrel, 3.25@3.50; State and Michigan, in bulk, 180 pounds, 2.75@2.87; British, 168 pounds, 2.25@2.50; German, 2.25; Southern sweets, barrel, 1.00@3.00; Jersey, 2.50@3.50.

Cabbages—Steady. Red, ton, 24.00@28.00; Danish, seed, 20.00@24.00; domestic, 14.00@18.00.

Freights—Steady. Cotton to Liverpool, per 100 pounds, 25@30c.; grain to Liverpool, 30; grain to London, 40.

Peanuts—Easy. Fancy hand-picked, Virginia, 5¼; Virginia shelled, No. 1, and No. 2, 4@6¼.

Cotton Seed Oil—Easy, early, under hedge selling, against lower crude purchases, but prices steadied up in the late session on the less bearish government cotton report than had been looked for, and scattered covering of shorts. Futures closed 1@3 points net lower. December, 5.31@5.33; January and February, 5.29@5.30; March, 5.30@5.32; April, 5.33@5.36. Prime crude, 4.07@4.14; do. Summer yellow, 5.30@5.34; do. winter yellow, 5.60@6.15; do. Summer white, 5.40@5.70.

WILMINGTON MARKETS.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 9.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady, 48 cents.

ROSIN—Firm, at $5.75.

TAR—Firm at $1.80 per barrel.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Firm, $3.50 per barrel for hard; $4.50 for dip, and $4.50 for virgin.

Quotations same day last year—Spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, nothing doing; tar, firm, $2.60; crude turpentine, firm, at $4.50@$6.00.

Receipts:

Spirits Turpentine	8
Rosin	48
Tar	6
Crude Turpentine	41

Receipts same day last year, 26 casks spirits turpentine; 202 barrels rosin; 126 barrels tar; 8 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON MARKET.

Market—Nominal.

Same day last year, nothing doing.

Receipts, 4,120 bales; same day last year, 530 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

(Quoted by W. J. Meredith, Dec. 9.)

CORN—Firm; .85 to .87½c. per bu.

PEAS—White, $2.50 per bu.

POTATOES—Irish potatoes, new crop, 80c. per bu.; yams, 60c. per bu.

BEEF—On foot, dull, .03@.04 per lb.

PORK—7c. to 9c.

WOOL—Burry, .11@.12c. per lb.; free of burr, 17 to 18 per lb.

HIDES—Green, .08 to .08½ per lb.; dry, 14 to 15c. per lb.

NORTH CAROLINA BACON—Hams, old, 20c. per lb.; sides and shoulders, 14c. per lb.

BEESWAX—Firm; .27 per lb.

TALLOW—Firm; .04½@.05 per lb.

POULTRY — Turkeys, 18c. on foot. Chickens, grown, 40 to 45 per head; chickens, spring, 20@40c. per head. Geese, 55@

SHEEP—No sales.

EGGS—Fair demand, 24@25 per doz. 60 per head.

NAVAL STORES MARKET.

Savannah, Dec. 11.—Turpentine, firm, at 49½@49¾. Sales, 559; receipts, 419; shipments, 6,16; stocks, 39,453.

Rosin—Firm. Sales, 3,113; receipts, 1,903; shipments, 1,854; stocks, 123,425. Quote: B, 6.40; D, 6.42½; E, 6.45; F, 6.47½@6.55; G, 6.52½@6.55; H, 6.55; I, 6.55@6.57½; K, 6.75; M, 6.90@6.95; N, 7.10; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

New York, Dec. 11.—Rosin, steady. Turpentine, firm.

Charlestan, December 11.—Turpentine, firm, at 48¾.

Rosin, firm. Quote: A, B, C, 6.27½@6.35; D, 6.35@6.40; E, 6.32½@6.40; F, 6.40@6.45; G, 6.42½@6.50; H, 6.47@6.50; I, 6.50; K, 6.70; M, 6.90; N, 7.00; W G, 7.50; W W, 7.75.

GENEROUS GAINS IN STOCKS

Wall Street Heard Good News—Opened With Small Gains, But Changed to Heavier—Bonds Were Firm.

New York, Dec. 11.—Wall Street heard more good news today than on any other day for many a week. The stock market, which has been rather heavy of late, responded with generous gains. The day's occurrences touched the market directly at several points and buying was carried on much more confidently. Union Pacific was raised 3 points above Saturday's close, U. S. Steel and several others 2 or more points, and virtually all the remaining stocks of prominence from 1 to 2 points.

It was assumed that the market at the outset would reflect the unexpected favorable bank statement for last week, and the large gain in unfilled orders for November reported by the United States Steel Corporation. Opening gains, however, were small, and were not long maintained.

Before noon the character of the market changed again and during the remainder of the session prices were on a higher plane. The bank statement and the steel figures were supplemented as market factors by announcement of an advance in the price of copper, sales of which were quoted at 13½c., the highest of the movement. The European demand was reported as especially heavy. Of greater importance as market factors was the announcement that United States Steel had raised its price for wire and nails.

The especial strength of Union Pacific may be traced in part to the action of the Commerce Court in permanently restraining the Interstate Commerce Commission from making effective the proposed reductions in inter-mountain freight rates.

All of the northwestern roads which are directly affected made good gains after announcement of this decision. The tenor of the report of the Hadley commission in respect to railroad securities was regarded as favorable from the stock market viewpoint. Another occurrence which helped the bulls was the refusal of the Supreme Court to interfere with the American Tobacco reorganization plan.

American Tobacco rose 18 points on the "curb," and the bonds and preferred stocks also advanced briskly.

The government's cotton crop estimate confirmed expectations of a yield exceeding all records. The report was one more of the day's happenings, which helped to bring about a more cheerful sentiment. Call loans were placed at 2½ per cent., but the ruling rate was 4½ per cent. An abrupt decline of 2⅝ points in Canadian Pacific shortly before the close, was explained in the announcement that $18,000,000 of new stock was to be issued on terms which conferred valuable "rights" upon shareholders.

The bond market closed firm, after an early period of irregularity with especial weakness in the Wabash issues. Total sales par value, $4,850,000. United States bonds unchanged on call. Total sales stocks for the day, 333,000 shares.

CLOSING STOCK LIST.

Allis-Chalmers, pfd	8
Amalgamated Copper	63
American Agricultural	54
American Beet Sugar	33⅞
American Can	11¼
American Car and Foundry	53½
American Cotton Oil	44
American Hide and Leather, pfd	20
American Ice Securities	19¼
American Linseed	9⅜
American Locomotive	35½
American Smelting and Ref.	72⅝
American Smelting and Ref., pfd	103½
American Steel Foundries	32
American Sugar Refining	114½
American Tel. and Tel	130¼
American Tobacco, pfd	104½
American Woolen	25
Anaconda Mining Co	38⅝
Atchison	100⅜
Atchison, pfd	103¾
Atlantic Coast Line	136½
Baltimore and Ohio	101⅝
Bethlehem Steel	29
Brooklyn Rapid Transit	76
Canadian Pacific	240
Central Leather	20½
Central Leather, pfd	91
Central of New ersey	320
Chesapeake and Ohio	72½
Chicago and Alton	28
Chicago Great Western	20
Chicago Great Western, pfd	37
Chicago and North Western	142½
Chicago, Mil. and St. Paul	111⅝
C., C., C. and St. Louis	63
Colorado Fuel and Iron	26½
Colorado and Southern	46
Consolidated Gas	137⅝
Corn Products	10¾
Delaware and Hudson	167
Denver and Rio Grande	20½
Denver and Rio Grande, pfd	46
Distillers' Securities	31
Erie	31
Erie, 1st pfd	51
Erie, 2nd pfd	41¾
General Electric	152½
Great Northern, pfd	128
Great Northern Ore Ctfs	34½
Illinois Central	142
Interborough-Met	14¾
Interborough-Met., pfd	46
Inter-Harvester	105⅜
Inter-Marine, pfd	16¾
International Paper	9⅞
International Pump	33⅞
Iowa Central	16
Kansas City Southern	28⅝
Kansas City Southern, pfd	64½
Laclede Gas	104
Louisville and Nashville	136
Minneapolis and St. Louis	35
Minn., St. P. and Sault Ste Marie	132½
Missouri, Kan. and Texas	29½
Missouri, Kan. and Tex., pfd	65
Missouri Pacific	38½
National Biscuit	138
National Lead	49¾
Nat. Rys. of Mexico, 2nd pfd	33¾
New York Central	106
New York, Ontario and Western	40
Norfolk and Western	107½
North American	73⅝
Northern Pacific	117⅝
Pacific Mail	31¼
Pennsylvania	122
People's Gas	103¾
Pittsburg, C. C. and St. Louis	95
Pittsburg Coal	17¾
Pressed Steel Car	32
Pullman Palace Car	156
Railway Steel Spring	30
Reading	150
Republic Steel	23¾
Republic Steel, pfd	83
Rock Island Co	25½
Rock Island Co., pfd	46½
St. Louis and San Fran., 2nd pfd	41¾
St. Louis Southwestern	31
St. Louis Southwestern, pfd	71½
Sloss-Sheffield Steel and Iron	39½
Southern Pacific	112⅛
Southern Railway	29⅝
Southern Railway, pfd	71
Tennessee Copper	36⅝
Texas and Pacific	23¾
Toledo, St. Louis and West	15½
Toledo, St. L. and West., pfd	39
Union Pacific	173⅜
Union Pacific, pfd	92¾
United States Realty	98
United States Rubber	47
United States Steel	63¾
United States Steel, pfd	109
Utah Copper	50⅞
Virginia-Carolina Chemical	53
Wabash	6¾
Wabash, pfd	17⅝
Western Maryland	61
Westinghouse Electric	64
Western Union	78
Wheeling and Lake Erie	4⅞

FINANCIAL MARKET.

New York, Dec. 11.—Money on call, steady, at 2@2½ per cent.; ruling rate, 4½; closing bid, 3; offered at 3. Time loans, easier; sixty and ninety days, 4@4¼; six months, 4@4¼. Prime mercantile paper, 4¼@4½ per cent.; sterling exchange, firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 4.82.65 for sixty day bills, and at 4.86 for demand. Commercial bills, 4.82; bar silver, 55; Mexican dollars, 40½.

THE WEATHER.

United States Department of Agriculture, Weather Bueau.

December 12, 1911.

Meteorological data for the 24 hours ending at 8 P. M., yesterday:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 54 degrees; at 8 P. M., 60 degrees; maximum, 71 degrees; minimum, 52 degrees; mean, 62 degrees.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river, at Fayetteville, at 8 A. M., yesterday, 4.4 feet.

Rainfall for the day, .00 inch; for the month, .00 inch.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Local rains Tuesday, somewhat colder in interior; Wednesday, fair; colder in east portion; moderate winds, mostly northeast.

ADVISORY WARNING.

Advisory warning, 11 A. M.—Apparently severe disturbance near Turk's Island. Direction of movement unknown. Caution advised to vessels bound in that direction.

Port Calendar—Dec. 12.

Sun rises ..... 7:07 A. M.
Sun sets ..... 5:03 P. M.
Day's length ..... 10 hrs. 56 mins.
High water at Southport ..... 1:20 A. M.
High water at Wilmington ..... 4:20 P. M.

WEATHER BUREAU REPORTS.

December 11, 1911.

STATIONS:	Weather at 8 P. M.	Temperature: Highest Today	Temperature: Lowest Last Night	24-Hour Precipitation 8 P. M.
Abilene	cloudy	48	36	.0
Asheville	cloudy	62	54	.03
Atlanta	clear	70	54	.0
Augusta	clear	72	56	.0
Birmingham	raining	64	62	.40
Boston	cloudy	68	46	.0
Chhrleston	clear	62	56	.0
Charlotte	pt cldy	68	54	.0
Chicago	cloudy	44	42	.0
Galveston	raining	58	56	1.20
Jacksonville	clear	74	58	.0
Memphis	cloudy	56	56	1.66
Mobile	cloudy	70	64	.0
Montgomery	cloudy	74	60	.0
New Orleans	pt cldy	76	64	.06
New York	pt cldy	58	44	.0
Palestine	clear	60	50	.0
Oklahoma	clear	48	40	.40
Pittsburg	raining	62	58	.02
Raleigh	clear	70	48	.0
Savannah	clear	74	58	.0
Shreveport	raining	60	50	.0
St. Louis	cloudy	46	44	.01
Washington	clear	68	40	.0

LIVERPOOL COTTON.

Liverpool, Dec. 11.—Spot, good business done; prices, unchanged. American middling fair, 5.60; good middling, 5.22; middling, 4.98; low middling, 4.84; good ordinary, 4.68; ordinary, 4.48. The sales of the day were 12,000 bales, of which 2,500 were for speculation and export and included 11,400 American. Receipts, 4,800 bales, including 2,700 American. Futures opened steady and closed quiet and steady. Dec., 4.80; Dec. and Jan., 4.80; Jan. and Feb., 4.81½; Feb. and Mar., 4.83; Mar. and Apr., 4.84½; Apr. and May, 4.87; May and June, 4.89; June and July, 4.91; July and Aug., 4.93; Aug. and Sept., 4.95; Sept. and Oct., 4.92½; Oct. and Nov., 4.92½.

WILMINGTON PEANUT MARKET.

(Quoted by J. S. Funchess & Co.)

Wilmington, Dec. 9.

Market, steady.

North Carolinas—Farmers' stock: Prime hand-picked, $1.30; machine-picked, $1.25.

Spanish—Prime hand-picked, $1.00; machine-picked, 95c.

Virginias—Prime hand-picked, 80c.; machine-picked, 75c.

PETERSBURG PEANUT MARKET.

(Reported by Rodgers, McCabe & Co.)

Petersburg, Va., Dec. 9.

Spanish—Quiet, at 80c. per bush.

Virginias—Firm. Jumbo, 4c per lb. Fancy hand-picked, 3½ to 3¾c. per lb.; Extra prime, 3½ to 3⅝c. per lb.; Prime, 3c.; Machine picked, 3 to 3¼c. per lb.

DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, Dec. 11.—The cotton goods market was quiet and barely steady during the day. Trading is confined to small lots. The dress goods and men's wear mills are reporting a better sold up condition for Spring, more particularly the large corporations making staples. Raw silk is quiet here.

Mrs. Fannie Brew Dead

Friends in this city learned with regret of the death of Mrs. Fannie Brew, who died at her home at Phoenix Saturday afternoon, after an illness of some time. She was 64 years old and is survived by four children these being Mrs. A. M. Chinnis and Miss Lena Brew, Mr. D. A. Brew, of Phoenix, and Mr. W. A. Brew, of Norfolk, Va. The funeral and interment took place Sunday.

Mrs. Hannah Stephens Dead.

Mrs. Hannah Jane Stephens died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. K. J. Brady, near Council's, Sunday morning at 9 o'clock, in the 82nd year of her age. She is survived by one son, Mr. Thad Stephens, and one daughter, Mrs. K. J. Brady. She was a life-long member of Mount Horeb Presbyterian Church. The funeral was held at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon at the family burying ground.

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Having qualified as Administratrix of the estate of Fannie E. Nelson, deceised, this is to notify all parties having claims against said estate to present the same to me, duly verified, on or before the 21st day of November, 1912, or this notice may be plead in bar of recovery. All parties indebted to said estate are requested to make prompt payment.

IRENA N. MacRAE,
Administratrix of the estate of Fannie E. Nelson, deceased.
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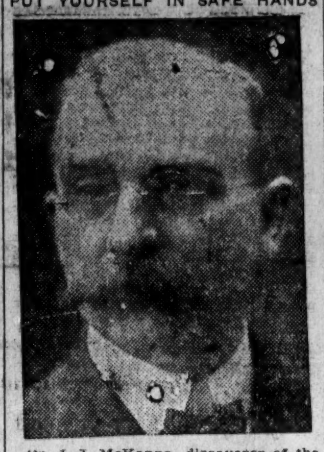

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NOTICE OF SALE OF LAND.

Pursuant to the direction and power contained in the last will and testament of William H. Stone, deceased, late of Brunswick county, North Carolina, the undersigned executors of the said last will and testament will on Monday, the 18th day of December, 1911, at Southport, at the Court House door, in Brunswick county, North Carolina, at 12:30 o'clock P. M., sell, at public auction, for cash, to the highest bidders, all of the real property of the said William H. Stone, situated in Shallotte Township, Brunswick County.

Pursuant to the provisions of said will, the said lands will be divided into four equal parts and each part will be sold separately.

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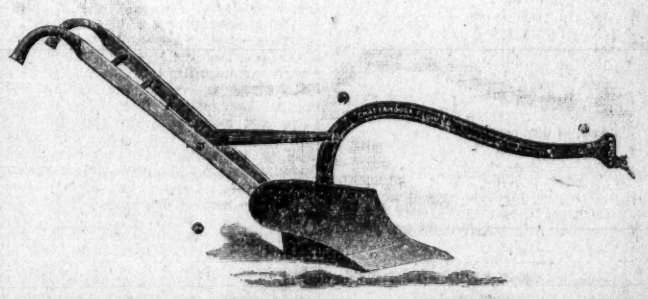

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WILL ROOSEVELT BE THE MAN?

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ported that New's name had not been mentioned at the conference, which was probably true. No vote was taken in the Southern conference, but soon after adjournment it began to be whispered about that Col. New would be opposed by a large number of committeemen who had hitherto been counted any man favored at the White House. Following the announcement of opposition to Col. New among the Southern membership of the committee, several members openly advocated the retention by Vice Chairman John F. Hill, of Maine, who will be elected tomorrow as successor of former Chairman Hitchcock of the honor of directing the convention arrangements. It was reported that Mr. Hitchcock was a party to this plan and it was openly stated by several Southern members that Mr. Hitchcock was in sympathy with the action that had been taken by them. On every side Mr. Hitchcock's name was coupled with the anti-New movement and it is probable because of the fact that the Postmaster General issued his statement.

Several conferences were attended by Mr. Hitchcock and at one, held at the White House, both the Postmaster General and the secretary to the President, were present. Among others who participated in the conference were Vice Chairman Hill, Senator Crane, of Massachusetts, and Penrose, of Pennsylvania; Secretary Nagel, Arthur T. Vorys, of Ohio, and Secretary Hayward. Some members of the committee hoped that the White House conference would result in an agreement for the selection of Mr. Hill as chairman of the committee on arrangements and to make Mr. New a member of the committee, but this hope was not realized.

Considerable ill feeling was manifest late in the afternoon and the executive committee of the National committee met to consider the situation. After much parleying the executive committee adopted a resolution presented by former Governor Franklin Murphy, of New Jersey, who, although not a member, had been admitted.

Charles F. Brooker, of Connecticut, and former Representative Frank O. Louden, of Illinois, were named as a special committee to go to the White House to ascertain the wishes of President Taft.

Brooker and Louden were known to be in favor of New and some of the latter's opponents went so far as to say that the committee had been stacked against the vice chairman. They said if Brooker and Louden urged the President openly to espouse the cause of New no alternative would be left Mr. Hill but to acquiesce. However, President Taft did not follow the course New's friends expected. He is said to have told the special committee that the question was one which the National committee must meet. That ended the parleying until after the dinner and, of course, passed the whole situation over until tomorrow.

The question of Presidential preference primaries, so far as the National committee was concerned, practically was disposed of at the meeting of the executive committee late today.

It was decided to cover all of the other States of the Union by a resolution providing that delegates should be elected in accordance with rules laid down by the various State committees.

There seemed to be no question tonight but that Chicago would get the National convention and that it would be held the last week in June. St. Louis apparently was the only city seriously considered as a rival to Chicago. Denver, it was claimed, would throw its support to Chicago in preference to St. Louis.

President Taft today declined to commit himself either to Chicago or St. Louis. The National committee tomorrow will allow one hour and a half to the representatives of the various cities to present their convention claims.

CHILD FINDS FATHER'S BODY.

Note and Poison Bottle Explain Death of Suicide.

Bowman, Ga., Dec. 11.—"My time is come. It is me, and nobody else is to blame. Don't accuse my wife of anything." This note was found on the body of J. M. Jordan, which was found by his little son in a pasture near his home this afternoon. Two bottles in the pockets, one of which had contained whiskey and the other a poison, believed to have been arsenic, indicated the manner of committing suicide.

Jordan had gone to the pasture, presumably to hunt for a cow, and when he remained an unusual length of time his wife sent the child to search for the father.

REPRIEVE BY GOVERNOR.

Pardon Will be Asked for Convicted Deputy Sheriff.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 11.—On assurances by reputable counsel that they have meritorious grounds for an application for pardon but have not time to prepare at present their case before the pending sentence must go into effect, Governor Kitchin grants reprieve for A. M. Gouge, of Mitchell county, former deputy sheriff under 20 months' sentence, for changing totals of county tax books so the county could be defrauded out of about $4,000 taxes in the settlement with the sheriff. The reprieve is to January 15th, his bond to be same as now.

Spartanburg, S. C., Dec. 11.—For taking a joy ride on a stolen mule, which was lame in both front legs, Henry Hamilton is serving a jail sentence. Seeing a bunch of chorus girls pass by in an automobile, the insane desire to overtake them entered his mind, and he rode the first mule that he came across in his mad pursuit.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

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American National Bank—Idle Money.
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St. John's Parish Guild—Annual Sale.
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FINDS RELATIVES AT LAST.

County Clare Man's Long Search Rewarded in Anderson.

Charleston, S. C., Dec. 11.—Michael Hurley, who wrote here a few weeks ago from County Clare, Ireland, in search of relatives of his named Kennedy, who came to Charleston many years ago, has found his relatives in the family of Kennedys of Anderson, S. C., according to a letter received from him yesterday by Police Sergeant Quinn. Sergent Quinn was instrumental in guiding Mr. Hurley to his relatives, and in fact, it has developed most curiously that the police sergeant is himself kin to the man in County Clare, Ireland, who, from his letters, is apparently alone in his native land and wishes to get in communication with his relatives in this country.

Mr. Hurley's first letter, addressed to the Charleston postmaster, was printed in The News and Courier, with the statement that Sergeant Quinn had taken up the matter and was trying to find the relatives to whom Mr. Hurley referred. They were named Kennedy and had left Ireland about 60 years ago. Mr. Hurley lives in Killestry, Killaloe, County Clare, though the family he was looking for were from Tipperary, just across the border from him. Sergeant Quinn wrote back to Mr. Hurley after receiving much information from the Kennedys in this section in response to the article in The News and Courier; and from the information furnished Mr. Hurley was able to determine that the Kennedys of Anderson are the relatives for whom he has been looking for many years. He was profuse in his thanks to Sergeant Quinn and stated that he would try to get into communication with his relatives at once.

AT THE STATE'S FARM SCHOOL

Athletic Association Officers — Commencement Marshalls Appointed

(Special Star Correspondence.)

West Raleigh, N. C., Dec. 11.—At one of the most largely attended meetings of the Athletic Association of recent years, held in Pullen after dinner Saturday, the following officers were elected after very struenous contests: President of the Athletic Association, D. W. Seifert; vice president, E. P. Speer; secretary, W. H. Graham, Jr.; manager of the 1912 football team, J. I. McCullen, of Charlotte, N. C.; assistant managers of the 1912 football team, W. L. Shaw, Jr., of Weldon, and W. L. Jewell, of Wilmington.

At a recent meeting of the Senior Class, the following marshalls for commencement were elected: From the Junior Class C. C. Spencer, chief, N. S. Lachicotte and F. D. Poisson; from the Sophomore Class, J. F. Schenck and R. J. Franklin; from the Freshman Class, W. P. Grimesley and R. E. Hatton.

The Thalarian German Club has recently elected officers for the Spring term, as follows: President, C. M. Taylor; vice president, T. P. Lovelace; secretary and treasurer, N. S. Lachicotte; floor manager, J. B. Fearing.

DISTRESSING ACCIDENT.

Young White Man Loses Hand in Southern Yards at Greensboro.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 11.—A distressing accident occurred on the local yards of the Southern Railway Sunday morning shortly before 4 o'clock when Wallace Kirkman, a young white man 19 years of age and in the employ of the Southern as a brakeman, suffered the loss of his left hand while attempting to couple two cars. The accident occurred almost directly in front of the passenger station. The left hand was crushed entirely off. Young Kirkman, who is the only son of a widowed mother, was given medical attention and the mangled arm dressed. After being removed from the yards to where medical attention could be given Mr. Kirkman remembered that on one of the fingers of the hand that was crushed off was a diamond ring. He requested that some one secure for him the piece of jewelry. The erquest was granted and the ring was taken from the finger of the dismembered hand. The unfortunate young man is resting as easily as counld be expected, and his recovery is looked for. The shock to his mother was severe.

THE MONROE STABBING

Farmer Admits Deed But Claims Had Great Provocation

Monroe, N. C., Dec. 11.—J. W. Smith, who was seriously cut here Saturday night, is gaining strength rapidly and he is now considered out of danger. Today at 11 o'clock Martin Privett, a farmer living near the place the terrfible deed was committed, came to town and acknowledged having committed the crime, but asserts that he had great cause for doing so, which he will set forth at the hearing in the Recorder's court, as soon as Smith is able to appear.

It developed that the cutting occurred in Privett's yard and the other party was a man named Yow, who was not implicated in the confession made by Privett here this morning. Privett was recognized for his appearance.

RACING MEN GLAD.

Racing Association Granted Postponement of Hearing for Injunction.

Columbia, S. C., Dec. 11.—Chief Justice Jones today granted a postponement of the hearing on the petition for an injunction against the Columbia Racing Association aimed to stop the book-making at the track until January 4th. This will enable them to practically run its length even though the racing association is enjoined on that date. The meeting was supposed to run to January 6th. Racing men are jubilant this evening.

Savannah, Ga., Dec. 11.—At the age of 117 years, which is said to be well authenticated, Clare Bentry, a negro woman, died here yesterday. She was born in 1794, was a native of Georgia and spent most of her life in this State. She retained her faculties until within a short time of her death.

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CONFISCATION OF QUAIL.

Game Warden at Greensboro Made Big Haul of "Butter" and "Eggs."

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Greensboro, N. C., Dec. 11.—Deputy Sheriff John Weatherly, of Guilford county, who is also game warden for the Audubon Society, made one of the richest hauls of quail yesterday afternoon that has perhaps been made in North Carolina since the "confiscation" game law went into effect. Mr. Weatherly, as a result of a bit of detective work, located at the local station nine "egg boxes" and two "butter buckets" of large size, ostensibly containing "eggs and butter." As a matter of fact, the boxes and buckets contained quail and rabbits—just two rabbits, however—with a little butter on top of the quail in the buckets and a few eggs in each of the "egg cases". It was estimated that the buckets and cases contained not less than 1,000 quail. The quail were shipped from Pilot Mountain and were consigned to a produce concern in Philadelphia. Mr. Weatherly, suspecting that there was game on the incoming train from Pilot Mountain, was at the station and "nosing" around among the articles in the express car and unloaded on the platform discovered the "eggs" and "butter". He peeked into the boxes and saw a few feathers. Knowing that feathers had no place on eggs, in the shell at least; and that rabbit fur should not be a covering for butter the officer investigated further and brought to light the great quantity of game. The birds were all confiscated and will be sold at public auction.

HORSE TRADERS' CONVENTION

Something New Going on At Salisbury This Week

Salisbury, Dec. 10.—Already a large number of horsemen and horse traders are here for the horse traders' convention, which begins tomorrow and will last for two weeks. Camp grounds will be established at the fair grounds, where there are stall accommodations for two hundred and fifty horses. In addition to them, many will quarter their stock in the livery and private stables in the city. However, the operations of the traders and buyers will be principally at the fair grounds. Horsemen are expected from many points in North Carolina and adjoining States. This is said to be the first regular gathering of the kind ever held in the State and is attracting much attention.

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WANTED — Position as chauffeur. Can give good references. Address "Chauffeur," 911 Princess street, Wilmington, N. C. de12-1t*

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